

# AMERICAN CITIZENS SERVICES NEWSLETTER

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## Secretary of State Visit

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In July, the US Embassy in Ulaanbaatar had the unforgettable opportunity to welcome Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to Mongolia. Secretary Clinton arrived on July 9<sup>th</sup> and departed the following morning. This was a historic visit in which she met with President Elbegdorj, Prime Minister Batbold and Foreign Minister Zandanshatar and also addressed the Executive Meeting of the Community of Democracies as well as the International Women's Leadership Forum. Secretary Clinton also took time out of her busy schedule to meet with the Embassy staff and their families at the Star Community Center.



### Ms. Piper Campbell, the New U.S. Ambassador to Mongolia

Ms. Piper Campbell, the new U. S. Ambassador to Mongolia, has been confirmed and is expected to arrive to Ulaanbaatar in August. Ms. Campbell, 46, has worked in the diplomatic service most of her adult life. She served previously in the Philippines, Belgium, the UN, Switzerland, and Cambodia. She also served at the UN peacekeeping mission in the Balkans from 1996 to 1998. She helped the US Agency for International Development establish an office in Eastern Slavonia, Croatia, in 1998. She most recently served as Consul General in Basrah, Iraq.

In addition, the Consular Section would like to welcome Daniela Zadrozny, who is our incoming Consular Section Chief. Daniela will be arriving in Mongolia in mid-August, and is looking forward to working with all of you over the next 2 years.

### 4th of July Voting Message for U.S. Citizens

**Have a say in our country's future.** One of our most treasured values is the right and the privilege to vote – to participate actively in our country's democratic process. This November, U.S. citizens will elect a President, a Vice President, one-third of the Senate, and the entire House of Representatives. The U.S. Embassy in Mongolia encourages all U.S. citizens to participate in this year's elections, and stands ready to help you vote.

**Almost all overseas U.S. citizens can vote.** Twenty-two states and the District of Columbia now allow adult children who have never resided in the United States to vote using their parents' state of voting residence. Details are available on the FVAP website at <http://www.fvap.gov/reference/nvr-res.html>.

**Register and request a ballot.** To vote, new laws require you to complete and submit a Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) this calendar year. The FPCA allows you to register to vote and request an absentee ballot. If you haven't yet done so, we urge you to do so now. The easiest way to complete it is online at [www.FVAP.gov](http://www.FVAP.gov). Depending on your State's rules, you then send it to your local election officials electronically or by mail.

**Mailing guidance.** Print out the completed FPCA and the (U.S.) postage-paid envelope containing the address of your local election officials. You can drop off the postage-paid envelope (containing your FPCA) to the Embassy's consular section, and we will mail it back home for you via diplomatic pouch, without the need to pay international postage. The American Embassy is located just off of Big Ring Road in the 11th Micro-district, next to the Laotian Embassy. Pouch transit time is typically one week. And if it's easier for you to

use Mongolia's postal system, be sure to affix sufficient international postage and allow sufficient time for international mail delivery. American Citizen Service hours are every Monday and Thursday afternoon, from 1:00 to 3:00, if you would like to formally come in and speak with a Voting Assistance Officer and hand in your ballot. Otherwise, you can drop off your envelope and ballot to the guard station outside the Embassy at anytime during regular business hours. All paper/materials must be screened by our guard force, so our Regional Security Officer recommends that American citizens do not seal their outside envelope at first – just so that the guard force can quickly check that no dangerous items are inside the envelope – and then once this quick screening check is done, you can seal the envelope and hand it over.

**Need help?** You can receive in-person assistance from our Embassy Voting Assistance Officers or drop off FPCA forms during American Citizen Service hours, held every Monday and Thursday from 1:00-3:00pm at the Embassy. No appointment is needed. In addition, a voting assistance table will be displayed during the Embassy's annual Fourth of July celebration. (NOTE: It is acceptable for private U.S. citizens or U.S. citizens' groups to collect FPCAs and deliver them to the Embassy on behalf of other eligible voters, as long as each FPCA is in its own U.S. postage-paid envelope.)

**Make your vote count!** Follow your State's absentee voting procedures carefully. Send in your FPCA before the registration deadline. When you get your ballot, vote and mail it promptly so it reaches local election officials by your State's absentee ballot receipt deadline.

**Questions?** If you have any questions about registering to vote, please contact Embassy Ulaanbaatar's Voting Assistance Officer at UlaanbaatarACS@state.gov or (976-11) 329-095, ext. 4549 or 4419.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** New absentee voting laws are in effect for the 2012 elections. You may no longer automatically receive ballots based on a previous absentee ballot request. All U.S. citizens outside the United States who want to vote by absentee ballot in U.S. elections should complete a new Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) every year. States are now required to send out ballots 45 days before an election. No matter what State you vote in, you can now ask your local election officials to provide your blank ballots to you electronically (by email, internet download, or fax, depending on your State). You can now also confirm your registration and ballot delivery online. Be sure to include your email address on the form to take advantage of the electronic ballot delivery option. This is the fastest and most reliable way to receive your ballot on time, and we strongly recommend every voter take advantage of it. Learn more at the Federal Voting Assistance Program's (FVAP) website at [www.FVAP.gov](http://www.FVAP.gov).

## English-speaking Lawyers in Ulaabaatar

The Consular section has recently updated our lawyers list. This is a partial list of English-speaking lawyers and law firms with some English capability in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. The U.S. Embassy provides this list as a convenience only. Neither the U.S. Government nor any official of the U.S. Embassy assumes any responsibility for the competence or probity of any firm or advocate on this list or for consequences of any legal action initiated or advice given. An asterisk (\*) denotes a firm's English-speaking contact; a double asterisk (\*\*) denotes firms with limited English-speaking capability.

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**Travel Warnings and Alerts**

Worldwide Caution 07/18/2012

Central African Republic 07/11/2012

Kenya 07/05/2012

Afghanistan 06/27/2012

Bahrain 06/26/2012

Nigeria 06/21/2012

Haiti 06/18/2012

Somalia 06/15/2012

Philippines 06/14/2012

Hurricane Typhoon Season

2012 06/04/2012

For additional information about these travel warnings and alerts, please go to this site:

[http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis\\_pa\\_tw/tw/tw\\_1764.html](http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/tw/tw_1764.html)

**Upcoming Holidays**

September 3—Labor Day

