Ichiro Fujisaki

Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the United States of America



Mr. Ichiro Fujisaki previously served as the political minister of the Embassy of Japan in Washington, DC, from 1995-99. His association with the United States goes back even further. It started in the early 1960's with a year as a junior high school student in Seattle, Washington. He also studied for one year each at Brown University and Stanford University Graduate School in the early 1970's.

As a diplomat, he has also served in Jakarta, Paris (OECD), and London. Prior to his current post, he served as Ambassador to the UN and to the WTO in Geneva. While there, he served as the Chairman of the Executive Committee of UNHCR (UN High Commissioner for Refugees).

In the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Tokyo, he has held such posts as Deputy Director-General for Asian Affairs and Director-General for North American Affairs before being appointed as the Deputy Foreign Minister. He has also served as the Sherpa, or the personal representative, of the Prime Minister to G8 Summit meetings.

- 2008 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan to the United States of America
- 2005 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Japan to the International Organizations in Geneva
- 2002 Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs (including Prime Minister's personal representative (Sherpa) to the G8 Summit, Japan's chief negotiator for FTA)
- 1999 Director-General, North American Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1995 Minister (Political), Embassy of Japan to the United States of America
- 1994 Deputy Director-General, Asian Affairs Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- 1969 Entered Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Served in the following posts:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Jakarta, Paris (Delegation to OECD), London