

Obama nominates Paul W Jones as new envoy to M'sia
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United States President Barack Obama today announced his intention to nominate Paul W.Jones as the country's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Malaysia.

The US Embassy in Kuala Lumpur said in a statement that Jones's nomination was now pending Senate confirmation.

A career member of the Senior Foreign Service, he is currently the deputy to the special representative and deputy assistant secretary of state for Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Jones previously served as the deputy chief of mission and charge d'affaires in the Philippines.

Prior assignments include deputy chief of the US Mission to the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe and deputy chief of Mission in Macedonia.

Other overseas posts include Colombia and Russia. In Washington, he has served as director of the Executive Secretariat Staff and director of the European Bureau's Balkans office.

Jones graduated from Cornell University and received Master's degrees from the University of Virginia and the Naval War College.

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