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HE Sidique Abou-Bakarr Wai, Ambassador to the US from Sierra Leone and Secretary General of ECOWAS (Sierra Leone/Ghana).

ARCC Forum speaker on new economic opportunities for Africa and promoting the SDGs.

The charismatic, yet humble community leader, activist, politician, diplomat, and public policy czar, Hon. Sidique Abou-Bakarr Wai was unanimously approved as Sierra Leone's Ambassador to the US and High Commissioner to Canada. He was recently appointed Secretary General of ECOWAS

(Economic Community of West African States <https://www.ecowas.int>). As an official in the NYPD's community affairs department, Wai's duties in the NYPD included improving relations between the police and the 76 precincts in New York City, and advising on relations with the city's rapidly-growing African immigrants population and the Muslim community. Wai was the first African-born candidate for the post of Public Advocate of New York City, in 2013. He also co-founded and served as President of the United Africa Congress (UAC) <https://www.unitedafricancongress.org>, "an umbrella organization representing the interests of 3.5 million continental African immigrants throughout the United States of America." In the above roles, Wai has been credited for championing numerous initiatives that added value to the safety of the 8.5 million people of New York and for seeking the interests of the African diaspora in the United States.

Related videos and articles:

Article on Accreditation as Ambassador: <https://embassyofsierraleone.net/about-embassy/news-and-events/his-excellency-ambassador-sidique-abou-bakarr-wai-presenting>

Sierra Leone on the move video, features Sidique's work: <https://youtu.be/A9kZnJquaRk>

Sidique introduces Sierra Leone's commitment to creating the right climate for investment:

<https://www.facebook.com/mustaphaswai/videos/10156506982683520/>