



Michael Ratney

Special Envoy for Syria

Michael Ratney began serving as Deputy Assistant Secretary in February 2017. In July 2015, Michael Ratney was appointed as the U.S. Special Envoy for Syria.

From 2012 to 2015, Mr. Ratney served as the U.S. Consul General in Jerusalem. Until 2012, Mr. Ratney was Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Media and, prior to that, Spokesman for the State Department's Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs.

Since joining the Foreign Service in 1990, Mr. Ratney served as Deputy Chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Doha, Qatar, as well as tours in Mexico City, Baghdad, Beirut, Casablanca, Bridgetown, and Washington, DC. Mr. Ratney is from Massachusetts. He earned a BS from Boston University, and an MA from the George Washington University.