

Frank Garcia

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Frank W. Garcia Jr. was sworn in as Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs on June 1, 2026. He previously served as Senior Advisor to the Chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) and as Staff Director for the Defense Intelligence and Overhead Architecture Subcommittee.

Before returning to public service in 2020, Mr. Garcia founded and sold a technology strategy consulting firm focused on accelerating mission-relevant technologies into the Department of Defense and Intelligence Community.

U.S. Navy Captain (06) Garcia served as Chief of Staff at the National Reconnaissance Office, culminating a 28-year career including operations across Africa, Central, and Southern Command areas. He earned numerous military awards (combat action, campaign, and personal performance). Mr. Garcia holds master's degrees from the Naval Postgraduate School, University of Rhode Island, and National War College