



**Dina Kavar**

**Jordan's Ambassador to the United State**

Ambassador Dina Kavar was appointed as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United States of America in June 2016.

Ambassador Kavar also served as the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations from August 2014 to June 2016. She has led the Jordanian delegation during Jordan's non-permanent membership of the United Nations Security Council from 2014 to 2015 and became the first Arab woman to ever preside over the Council. In February 2016, she was appointed by the President of the General Assembly as a co-facilitator for the high-level meeting of the plenary of the General Assembly on the large movement of refugees and migrants to take place in September 2016. Prior to her position in New York, Ambassador Dina Kavar served as the Ambassador of Jordan to France from 2001 to 2013, with concurrent accreditation to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and to the Holy See, since 2002. She also served as non-resident ambassador to Portugal from 2005 to 2013. Ambassador Kavar was awarded the Medal of Independence of the first degree by His Majesty King Abdullah II of Jordan and holds a number of decorations including the "Commandeur De La Legion d' Honneur" from France, the "Medalha de D. Afonso Henriques" from Portugal and the "Insignes de Dame de Grand-Croix de l'Ordre de Saint Grégoire le Grand" from the Holy See. Ambassador Kavar holds a master's degree in international affairs from Columbia University and a bachelor's degree in international relations from Mills College, both in the United States. She attended Harvard's Center for International Affairs from 1986 to 1987. She speaks Arabic, French and English.