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NEW PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF UNITED STATES PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

The new Permanent Representative of the United States to the United Nations, Andrew Young, presented his credentials today to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim. He was accompanied by the United Nations Chief of Protocol, Sinan A. Korle.

He was born on 12 March 1932 in New Orleans. He graduated from Howard University with a B.S. degree and from the Hartford Theological Seminary with a B.D. degree, and ordained by the United Church of Christ.

A civil rights leader, he served as pastor of several churches in Georgia and Alabama. From 1957 to 1961, he was Director of Youth Activities of the National Council of Churches; and, in 1964, he was appointed by Martin Luther King, Jr., as Executive Director of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

From 1970 to 1972, he served as Chairman of the Atlanta Community Relations Commission, and, in November 1972, he was elected to the ninety-third United States Congress and re-elected to the ninety-fourth Congress.

He has served as a member of the House Committee on Rules; as Regional Vice-President and member of the Executive Committee of the Democratic Study Group; as Treasurer and member of the Executive Committee of the Congressional Black Caucus; and as a member of the Environmental Study Conference.

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