

AMBASSADOR NICHOLAS VELIOTES

Until his retirement in 1986, Ambassador Nicholas Veliotes served a distinguished career in the Foreign Service of the United States, culminating in his tenure as Ambassador to Egypt. Prior to this post, Ambassador Veliotes was the Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs. From 1978 to 1981, he was Ambassador to Jordan. Between 1970 and 1978, Veliotes served in a series of State Department positions, including Special Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of State, Deputy Director of the Policy Planning Staff, and Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs. He also served as Deputy Chief of Mission in Tel Aviv. Ambassador Veliotes served in a variety of posts after obtaining his commission in the Foreign Service of the United States in 1955, including Vientiane, New Delhi, Rome and Naples. In 1969 he was selected as a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at Princeton University.

Following his retirement from the Foreign Service, Ambassador Veliotes became President of the Association of American Publishers until he stepped down in June 1997 as President Emeritus. He is currently a member of the Middle East Institute, the Council on Foreign Relations, and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He also serves on the Boards of AMIDEAST, the American Academy of Diplomacy, ANERA, and the Foundation for Middle East Peace.