## His Excellency Ralph Samuel Thomas Ambassador of Jamaica



H.E. Mr. Ralph Thomas is Jamaica's Ambassador to the United States of America and Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the Organization of American States (OAS).

Ambassador Thomas assumed duties at the Embassy in Washington D.C on September 8, 2015, having served as Jamaica's Ambassador to Beijing, China from July 21, 2013 to September 2015.

Prior to assuming his Ambassadorial role, Mr. Thomas was a Senior Teaching Fellow of the University of the West Indies - Mona School of Business and Management, and served as Director of several state agencies in Jamaica and in New York including: the Urban Development Corporation; the National Insurance Fund Board, Jamaica Financial Services Authority and the Mental Health Association of Westchester, New York. He was also Board Chairman of the Micro Investment Development Agency.

Ambassador Thomas has vast experience in international banking and trade finance, serving as Vice-President and Regional Manager at the Bank of New York during his 22 years with that financial Institution.

Ambassador Thomas holds a Bachelor of Arts (General) Degree from the University of the West Indies (1976) and a Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from Columbia University (1990).

Ambassador Thomas is married to Sandra Dixon Thomas and is the father of four (4) children.