

Ambassador James F. Moriarty Senior Advisor for South Asia BowerGroupAsia

Ambassador (ret) James F. Moriarty served as U.S. Ambassador to Bangladesh (2008-2011) and to Nepal (2004-2007). Prior to that, he was Special Assistant to the U.S. President and Senior Director for Asia at the National Security Council (2002-2004). In that role, he advised the President and coordinated U.S. policy on East Asia, Southeast Asia, the Pacific, and South Asia. He served previously as Director for China affairs at the National Security Council (2001) and head of the political sections at the U.S. Embassy in Beijing (1998-2001) and at the American Institute in Taiwan (1995-98). He worked in either Beijing or Taipei for a total of 10 years and is fluent in Chinese.

Since retiring from 36 years as a U.S. diplomat, Ambassador Moriarty has worked with Bower Group Asia, a leading U.S. business consultancy, and has continued to do government-related consulting on China. Living in Jakarta in 2013-2014, Moriarty as Chief of Party set up PROGRESS, a U.S. Government project to build capacity in ASEAN's political/security and social/cultural communities. He now serves as Executive Director and a member of the Board of Directors of the Alliance for Bangladesh Worker Safety, a coalition of North American importers of readymade garments from Bangladesh working to improve factory safety there.

Ambassador Moriarty has not testified to the Commission.