

Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba Appointed as Minister

United Arab Emirates Ambassador Yousef Al Otaiba has been promoted to Minister by Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the President of the UAE. In the past nine years, Minister Al Otaiba has worked tirelessly to see that the UAE and the United States create meaningful experiences for citizens of both countries.

Some outstanding work Minister Al Otaiba has done was creating a partnership between The Smithsonian Institution, Johns Hopkins Hospital, New York University, and plenty more. Mr. Al Otaiba's nine years of working closely with the United States makes him a perfect choice as Minister.

Yousef Al Otaiba's duties as Minister will overlap with what he already does as Ambassador to the United States. These include more partnerships between the United States and the UAE, advancing education, and finding more opportunities to improve healthcare.

An example of the United Arab Emirates investing in the future of the United States is the contribution to Johns Hopkins Hospitals. The UAE donated \$50 million to open the Sheikh Khalifa Stroke Institute in Baltimore, a renowned ward of Johns Hopkins that will help to serve those who have suffered from a stroke. Opening new doors has allowed for the UAE to establish more hospitals back in its country.

Minister Yousef Al Otaiba is incredibly excited to see where his new role will take him. He will continue to use his title as an opportunity to maintain the strong economic and political relationship between the United States and the UAE.

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