

## **Ambassador Asif J. Chaudhry**

Ambassador Asif Chaudhry presented his credentials as Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova on September 24, 2008. Ambassador Chaudhry, a career member of the U.S. Senior Foreign Service, served as Deputy Administrator of the Office of Global Analysis at the Foreign Agricultural Service. Before that Washington assignment, he served as Minister Counselor for Agricultural Affairs at the United States Embassy in Cairo. Prior to his Cairo posting, he was Assistant to the General Sales Manager (GSM) of the U.S. Foreign Agricultural Service, where he served as the GSM's principal advisor on Department of Agriculture Commodity Assistance programs for the former Soviet Union and other Eastern European countries. Earlier in his career, Ambassador Chaudhry served as the Counselor for Agricultural Affairs at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow and as the Agriculture Attache at the U.S. Embassy in Warsaw, Poland.

Amb. Asif Chaudhry was born and raised in a farming family in Pakistan's small village of Nindowal. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Punjab, his master's degree from the American University of Beirut and his PhD from Washington State University.

Amb. Chaudhry's language skills include Russian, Urdu, Punjabi, Arabic, and Polish. He is married to Charla Chaudhry, and they have two sons and a daughter.