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Louise Kantrow was appointed the International Chamber of Commerce's permanent representative to the United Nations in March 2007. Her career has included posts within the United Nations and senior positions at nonprofit, governmental and intergovernmental organizations closely associated with UN activities.

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