Nick Kay was appointed as Regional Ambassador for Sub-Saharan Africa in October 2020.

Sir Nicholas Kay’s diplomatic career has focused on Africa and Asia. Most recently he was the NATO Senior Civilian Representative in Afghanistan and prior to that the UK Ambassador in Kabul.

From 2013 until 2016 he was the UN Secretary-General’s Special Representative (SRSG) for Somalia and Head of the UN Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM). In 2016 he was appointed the UK’s first ever Special Envoy to the Horn of Africa. From 2012-2013, Sir Nicholas was Africa Director in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (2012-13), and has served as UK Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of the Congo (2007-10) and to Sudan (2010-2012).