

# World's ethnic minority leaders a rare breed

Most of the world's heads of state belong to the majority ethnic group of their country, with only a select few able to claim ethnic minority heritage



**Evo Morales**

Bolivia's first indigenous president is from Aymara tribe, which constitutes 25 percent of population



**Nicolas Sarkozy**

France's president is son of Hungarian immigrant father and French mother of Greek Jewish origin



**Ayatollah Ali Khamenei**

Iran's supreme leader is from Azeri ethnic group, which makes up most of neighbouring Azerbaijan



**Michaëlle Jean**

Canada's Haitian-born Governor General is head of state, although role is mainly ceremonial



**Hugo Chavez**

President of Venezuela is of mixed Amerindian, Afro-Venezuelan and Spanish descent



**Barack Obama**

Democratic candidate would be first African-American to be elected U.S. President