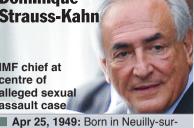
Dominique Strauss-Kahn

IMF chief at centre of alleged sexual assault case



- Seine near Paris. France 1986: Elected to National Assembly
- as French Socialist Party (PS) member 1991: Marries TV journalist
- Anne Sinclair his third wife
- 1997-99: Serves in Lionel Jospin's PS government as finance minister. Cuts public deficit, enabling France to ioin euro. Resigns amid allegations of
- property fraud later cleared 2006: DSK seeks nomination as PS candidate for French presidency but loses to Segolene Royal
- 2007: Appointed as managing director of International Monetary Fund with backing of political rival, President Nicolas Sarkozy
- 2008: Wins praise for IMF's efforts to cope with global financial meltdown. Reprimanded by IMF executive for having affair with colleague
- 2011: Opinion polls name him as front-runner against Sarkozy in 2012 presidential elections
- May 15: Arrested in New York on sexual assault charges Picture: Getty Images

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