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The President today announced his intention to nominate Christian A. Herter, Jr., of New Mexico, to be Assistant Administrator of the Agency for International Development. His area of responsibility will be Interagency Development Coordination. He succeeds Sidney Weintraub who resigned effective November 25, 1975. Mr. Herter has been Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Environmental and Population Affairs.

Mr. Herter was born in New York City on January 29, 1919. He received his B.A. degree from Harvard University in 1941 and was Phi Beta Kappa. He received his LL.B. from Harvard Law School in 1948 and became a member of the Massachusetts Bar. He became a partner in the Boston law firm of Bingham, Dana and Gould. He served in the United States Army from 1941 to 1946.

In 1951, Mr. Herter was elected a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. He served as Administrative Assistant to the Vice President of the United States during 1953-54. From 1954 to 1956, he was deputy general counsel and general counsel of the Foreign Operations Administration. He was elected to the Massachusetts Governor's Council in 1957 and served until 1958. He became general manager of the government relations department of the Mobil Oil Corporation in 1961 and was named Vice President of the Company in 1967. From 1970 to 1974, he served as Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Environmental Affairs and as Director of the Office of Environmental Affairs.

Mr. Herter is married to the former Susan E. Cable and has three children. They reside in the District of Columbia.

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