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The President today announced his intention to nominate Jack B. Kubisch, a Career Minister in the Foreign Service, now serving as Assistant Secretary of State for Inter American Affairs, to be Ambassador to Greece. He will succeed Henry J. Tasca, who has resigned.

Mr. Kubisch was born on November 5, 1921 in Hannibal, Missouri. He attended Central College, Fayette, Missouri, and received his B. A. degree in 1942 from the University of Missouri. He attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business during 1946-47, following service as an Officer in the U. S. Navy from 1942 to 1945. He is fluent in French, Portuguese and Spanish.

Following his first tour in Rio, Mr. Kubisch was Assistant Economic Commissioner, Economic Cooperation Administration, Paris from 1949 to 1950. From 1950 to 1953 he was Director of International Operations for Bendix Home Appliances, South Bend, Indiana, and from 1953 to 1961 he was President and Chairman of the Board of Great Northern Distributors in South Bend. He returned to Government service in 1961 as Deputy Director of the U. S. AID Mission in Ceylon.

In 1962-63 he was Director U. S. AID Mission, Rio de Janeiro and in 1963-64 he was Minister for Economic Affairs and U. S. AID Mission Director, Rio de Janeiro. In 1964 he was appointed FSO-1 and from 1965-69 he was Country Director of Brazilian Affairs. From 1969-71 he was Deputy Chief of Mission, Mexico City, and from 1971-73 he was Deputy Chief of Mission, Paris. He was promoted to Career Minister in 1973 and from 1973 to present he has been serving as Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs.

He is married to the former Constance Rippe and they have four children.

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