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The President announced today his intention to nominate David K. E. Bruce of the District of Columbia as United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization with the rank of Ambassador. Ambassador Bruce has served since May 1, 1973, as the Chief of the United States Liaison Office to the People's Republic of China.

In 1970 he was appointed as Head of the United States Delegation to the Paris Conference on Vietnam. From 1961 to 1969 he was Ambassador to Great Britain after having served as Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany. He has also served as Under Secretary of State, as United States Representative to the European Coal and Steel Community, and as Assistant Secretary of Commerce. In 1949 he became Ambassador to France, serving until 1952.

He was born on February 12, 1898, in Baltimore, Maryland, and received his B.A. degree from Princeton University in 1919. He was awarded his J.D. degree from the University of Maryland in 1921. He was admitted to the Maryland Bar and practiced in Baltimore until 1925. From 1925 to 1945 he was in the United States Foreign Service, Business and Farming and the Office of Strategic Services.

He is married to the former Evangeline Bell and they have three children.

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