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The President today announced his intention to nominate Thomas J. Scotes, of Bethesda, Maryland, as Ambassador to the Yemen Arab Republic.

He was born January 6, 1932, in Hagerstown, Maryland. Mr. Scotes received an A. B. in 1953 from the University of Pennsylvania. He served as Assistant to the Dean of Admissions, University of Pennsylvania in 1954.

He was appointed as General Consular Officer in Isfahan in 1955 and served until 1959 when he was transferred to Tehran as a Political Officer. From 1961 to 1962 he studied Arabic language and area training in Beirut. He was a Political Officer in Baghdad from 1964 to 1967. In 1967 he was assigned as International Relations Officer, Department of State. From 1968 to 1969 he was on detail for University Training. From 1969 to 1973 he was a Political-Economic Officer and from 1973 to 1974 he was assigned to Tunis as Political Officer. In 1974 he was assigned as Deputy Chief of Mission, Damascus.

He is married to the former Orietta Sarides and they have three children.

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