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The President today announced the appointment of the following persons to be members of the Commission on CIA Activities Within the United States. They are:

John T. Connor, of New Jersey, is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Allied Chemical Corporation. He served as Secretary of Commerce from 1965 to 1967, and was President of Merck and Company of Rahway, New Jersey, from 1955 to 1965. He was Counsel to the Office of Naval Research and Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Navy from 1945 to 1947. From 1942 to 1944 Mr. Connor served as General Counsel of the Office of Scientific Research and Development after having practiced law in New York from 1939 to 1942.

Mr. Connor received his B.A. degree from Syracuse University and his J.D. degree from Harvard Law School.

C. Douglas Dillon, of New Jersey, is Chairman of the Board of Dillon, Read & Co. He served as Secretary of the Treasury from 1960 to 1965, as Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs in 1958 and Under Secretary of State in 1959 to 1960. He became a member of the New York Stock Exchange in 1931 and became Vice President and Director of Dillon, Read & Co. in 1938 and Chairman of the Board in 1946.

He received his B.A. degree from Harvard University and served in the United States Navy from 1941 to 1945.

Erwin N. Griswold, of Maryland, is presently in private law practice. He was a member of the United States Civil Rights Commission from 1961 to 1967 and from 1967 to 1972 he was Solicitor General of the United States after having served as Dean of the Harvard Law School since 1946. He was an attorney in the office of the Solicitor General and Special Assistant to the Attorney General from 1929 to 1934.

Mr. Griswold received his B.A. degree from Oberlin College and his J.D. degree from Harvard Law School.

Governor Ronald Reagan of California. He served as Governor of the State of California from 1966 until the conclusion of his term in 1974. Governor Reagan was a motion picture and TV actor from 1937 to 1966 and served as a Captain in the United States Air Force from 1942 to 1945. He was President of the Screen Actors Guild from 1947 to 1952 and again in 1959.

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Lyman L. Lemnitzer, of the District of Columbia, served as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from 1960 to 1963. He became Supreme Allied Commander in Europe from 1963, serving in that capacity until his retirement in 1969. He was an officer during World War II and served on the staffs of General Eisenhower, General Mark Clark, and Field Marshal Alexander. General Lemnitzer was Commanding General of the 11th Airborne Division in 1951 and of the 7th Infantry Division in Korea from 1951-52. He was Commanding General of the Army forces in the Far East in the 8th U. S. Army in Japan and Korea and became Army Chief of Staff in 1959-1960.

General Lemnitzer is a graduate of the U. S. Military Academy.

Edgar F. Shannon, of Virginia, served as President of the University of Virginia from 1959 until his retirement in 1974. He served on the Board of Visitors of the United States Naval Academy and the United States Air Force Academy successively from 1962 to 1967.

Mr. Shannon was a member of the Harvard University faculty from 1950 to 1956 when he joined the faculty of the University of Virginia.

Joseph Lane Kirkland, of Maryland, is Secretary-Treasurer of the AFL-CIO, serving since 1969. He has been with the AFL-CIO since 1948 serving in various positions on the staff in research. He served as Executive Assistant to the President of the AFL-CIO from 1961 to 1969.

He graduated from the United States Merchant Marine Academy in 1942 and received his B. S. degree from Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in 1948.

The President today also designated Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller, of New York, to be Chairman of the Commission. Vice President Rockefeller was elected Governor of New York in 1958. He served as Special Assistant to the President during the Eisenhower Administration from 1954 to 1955. He was Under Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare from 1953 to 1954. He was Assistant Secretary of State from 1944 to 1945.

Vice President Rockefeller received his B. A. degree from Dartmouth College in 1930.

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