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THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced the appointment of James M. Cannon, of New York, New York, to be Assistant to the President for Domestic Affairs and will designate him as Executive Director of the Domestic Council. He succeeds Kenneth R. Cole who resigned effective February 28, 1975.

Since February 1969, Mr. Cannon has been an Assistant to Governor Rockefeller. During the period from 1969 to December 1973, and prior to the resignation of Governor Rockefeller as Governor of New York, he was assigned as liaison for New York State with Congress and the White House. He later became the Chairman of the Commission on Critical Choices for Americans.

In 1956, Mr. Cannon joined Newsweek magazine as Assistant National Affairs Editor, later serving as National Affairs Editor. He was subsequently named Chief of Correspondents for the magazine's twenty-two domestic and foreign bureaus, and served as a Vice President and Assistant to the late Philip L. Graham. From 1954 to 1956 he became a contributing editor of Time Magazine after having served with the Baltimore Sun from 1949 to 1954. From 1945 to 1949 he was with the Potsdam Herald-Record and the Gloversville Leader-Herald.

Mr. Cannon was born on February 26, 1918, in Sylacauga, Alabama, and received his B.A. degree from the University of Alabama. He served in the United States Army during World War II.

Mr. Cannon is married to the former Cherie Dawson of Annapolis, Maryland and they have two children. They reside in New York City.

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