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The President today announced his intention to nominate Herbert J. Spiro, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon and to serve concurrently as Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea. He will succeed C. Robert Moore who is resigning.

Since 1970, Mr. Spiro has been a member of the Policy Planning Staff at the Department of State. From 1965-70, he was Professor of Political Science at the University of Pennsylvania. During 1964-65, he was Chairman of the Asian-African Studies Program at Amherst, Mount Holyoke and Smith Colleges and the University of Massachusetts. He was Associate Professor of Political Science at Amherst College from 1961-65.

Mr. Spiro was born on September 7, 1924, in Hamburg, Germany and became naturalized in 1944. He received his B.A. summa cum laude in 1949 from Harvard College. In 1950 he graduated with an M.A. degree and in 1953 he received his Ph.D. degree from Harvard University. He was a teaching fellow in Government at Harvard from 1950 to 1953 and an Instructor in Government from 1954 to 1957. During 1953-54, he was a Fulbright Fellow in the Federal Republic of Germany in 1959-60, he was a Fulbright senior research professorship at the University College of Rhodesia. He became an Associate Professor of Political Science at Amherst College from 1961-65. He served in the United States Army from 1943-45.

Mr. Spiro is married to the former Elizabeth Petersen and they have two children.

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