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The President today announced his intention to nominate William I. Greener, of Springfield, Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense (Public Affairs). He will succeed Joseph Laitin who resigned.

Since April 1975, Mr. Greener has been Deputy Press Secretary to the President. Prior to his appointment, he was Assistant to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget for Public Affairs beginning in February 1975. From 1973 to 1975, he was Assistant to the Secretary for Public Affairs at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

From 1972 to 1973, Mr. Greener was Assistant Director of the Cost of Living Council for Congressional and Public Affairs. During 1971-72, he was Assistant to the Commissioner for Public Affairs of the Internal Revenue Service. During that period he was assigned to the Department of the Treasury as Deputy Special Assistant to the Secretary for Public Affairs from May of 1972 to July of 1972. From July of 1967 to September 1970, he served in the United States Air Force in the Public Information Division.

Mr. Greener was born on February 18, 1925, in Memphis, Tennessee. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Missouri in 1947 and his M.S. degree from Boston University in 1967. He is married to the former Charlene McPheeters and they have five children.

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