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The President today announced his intention to nominate Harvey Allan Averch, of Reston, Virginia, to be an Assistant Director of the National Science Foundation. He will succeed Lowell J. Paige who resigned effective August 31, 1975. Mr. Averch has been the acting Assistant Director for Science Education since August 1975.

Born on December 18, 1935, in Denver, Colorado, Mr. Averch received his A.B. degree summa cum laude from the University of Colorado in 1957 and was Phi Beta Kappa. He was awarded his Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina in 1962.

In 1961, Mr. Averch joined the Rand Corporation and served as a Senior Staff Economist until 1971. From 1971 to 1974, he was Director of the Division of Social Systems and Human Resources for the National Science Foundation. He became Deputy Assistant Director for Analysis and Planning of the Research Applications Directorate for NSF in 1974.

Mr. Averch is married to the former Barbara Duvall and they have two children.

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