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The President today announced his intention to nominate Davis Eugene Boster to be Ambassador to Guatemala. He will succeed the late Francis E. Meloy, Jr. Mr. Boster has been serving as Ambassador to Bangladesh since 1974.

Born on September 14, 1920, in Rio Grande, Ohio, Mr. Boster was graduated with an A. B. degree in 1942 from Mt. Union College. He served as an officer in the United States Navy from 1942 to 1947. He began his career in the Department of State as a Political Officer in Moscow in 1949. From 1949-54 he was a Foreign Affairs Analyst, then International Relations Officer at the Department. In 1954-58 he was assigned to Bonn as a Political Officer and from 1958-59 was Staff Assistant to the Secretary of State.

From 1959 to 1961 Mr. Boster was Officer in Charge of Bilateral Political Relations, Office of Soviet Union Affairs. He attended the Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy during 1961-62 and from 1962 to 1964 was Political Officer, in Mexico.

Mr. Boster was Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs from 1964-65. In 1965 he became Special Assistant, Office of the Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs. From 1965-67 he was Counselor for Political Affairs, Moscow and from 1967-70 he was Deputy Chief of Mission, Kathmandu. In 1970, he was Deputy Chief of Mission, Warsaw, and in 1974 he was Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs working on the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, United States Mission, Geneva.

Married to the former Mary Shilts, Mr. and Mrs. Boster have five children.

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