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The President today announced his intention to nominate Wat T. Cluverius IV, of Annapolis, Maryland, to be Ambassador to the State of Bahrain. He will succeed Joseph W. Twinam who has resigned. Mr. Cluverius has been Deputy Director, Office of Israeli and Arab-Israeli Affairs, Bureau of Near East and South Asian Affairs at the Department of State since 1973.

Born December 4, 1934, in Arlington, Massachusetts, Mr. Cluverius received his B.S. in 1957 from Northwestern University and his M.A. in 1967 from Indiana University. He served with the United States Navy as a Lieutenant from 1957-62. From 1962-64, he was in export sales-private industry.

In 1967, Mr. Cluverius joined the Foreign Service and was assigned as Consular Officer and later an Economic-Commercial Officer in Jidda. He was Economic-Commercial Officer from 1969 to 1971, and a Political Officer during 1971-72 in Tel Aviv and attended George Washington University on Near East Area Studies during 1972-73.

Mr. Cluverius is married to the former Judith Dvorovy and they have two children.

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