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MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FOR THE FILE

DATE 10/10/75

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LETTER, MEMO, ETC.

TO:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

Telegram  
Pres. Jimmy L. augmented Garcia  
The President  
Message on Assassination  
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MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FOR THE FILE

DATE 4/1/76

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LETTER, MEMO, ETC.

TO: Sec. of State

FROM: Wm. Hyland

SUBJECT: Amb. Federico Abundio Maldonado<sup>\*</sup>  
fm Guatemala



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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 1, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

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The President has reviewed and concurs in the recommendation of the Deputy Secretary of State that the appointment of Federico Abundio Maldonado of Guatemala as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Guatemala to the United States would be agreeable to the Government of the United States. You are requested to so inform the Government of Guatemala.

*William G. Hyland*

WILLIAM G. HYLAND  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs

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THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

March 27, 1976

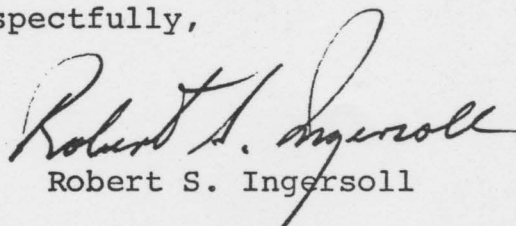
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Dear Mr. President:

The Government of the Republic of Guatemala has inquired whether our Government agrees to the appointment of Colonel Federico Abundio MALDONALDO Gularte as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Guatemala to the United States. A biography of Colonel Maldonado is enclosed. A thorough review of United States Government records reveals no grounds for objection.

I believe from the information available that Colonel Maldonado will make an excellent ambassador to the United States and recommend that you agree to the proposed appointment. If you concur, I shall be pleased to inform the Government of the Republic of Guatemala.

Respectfully,

  
Robert S. Ingersoll

Enclosure:

Biography.

The President,  
The White House.



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BIOGRAPHY - Colonel Federico Abundio MALDONALDO Gularte

Republic of Guatemala

Colonel Maldonado is 52 years old and is a career Army officer with a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Harvard. He is intelligent, competent and very ambitious. His overriding aim is to be President of Guatemala. He ran for that office in 1962, but a military coup overthrew the government and the election was cancelled.

Maldonado has been out of Guatemala almost continuously since then on various diplomatic and military assignments, including: 1963-66: Assistant Military Attaché in Washington and Vice Secretary on the Inter-American Defense Board; 1966-69: Military Attaché in San Salvador; 1969-70: Military Attaché in Mexico; 1970-72: Military Attaché in the United States; 1972-74: Ambassador to Mexico; and 1974-76: Ambassador to San Salvador.

Maldonado has been involved in politics throughout his military career, and for just that reason the Guatemalan leadership has preferred to keep him out of the country for most of the past thirteen years. In Guatemalan terms, he is a moderate and is a friend of the United States. He is strongly anti-communist. He is open and articulate and can be forceful in his views. He is a good conversationalist and will offer information unsolicited at times, but can be sensitive to criticism of his country.

In addition to Harvard, Maldonado has attended the London School of Economics and Georgetown University. He speaks fluent English and is married to the former Lilian Ruby Estrada, a granddaughter of the former Guatemalan Chief of State, Manuel ESTRADA Cabrera, 1898-1920. Four of their children are U.S. citizens, including their eldest son, Abundio, who attended West Point.

The Bureau of Inter-American Affairs believes that Colonel Maldonado is well qualified to represent his country as Ambassador to the United States. A thorough search of U.S. Government sources reveals no grounds for objection.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 6, 1976



MEMORANDUM FOR: PRESIDENTIAL PERSONNEL OFFICE

FROM: JIM CANNON

SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala

I concur in your recommendation that Davis Boster be  
nominated as Ambassador to Guatemala.

Phoned O.K. to PPO July 21, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR

DOMESTIC COUNCIL

FROM:

PRESIDENTIAL PERSONNEL OFFICE *DRB*

SUBJECT:

Ambassador to Guatemala

Attached is a copy of our proposed memorandum to the President discussing the nomination of Davis Eugene Boster as Ambassador to Guatemala.

As we wish to finalize this recommendation as soon as possible, please have your office let Paul Manafort's office (x2797) know of your opinion no later than noon on Tuesday, July 6, 1976, in order that we may accurately represent your views in the final decision memorandum. If we have not heard from your office by that time, we will assume that you have no opinion and go forward with the memorandum. Your observations and assistance will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you very much.

Attachments





THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY  
FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT  
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala



This memorandum seeks your approval of the nomination of Davis Eugene Boster as Ambassador to Guatemala. A career profile is attached for your review (Tab A).

Davis Eugene Boster, 55, a Career Foreign Service Officer, currently is Ambassador to Bangladesh. Prior to that appointment, he was Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs. He has served as Deputy Chief of Mission in Warsaw and Kathmandu; Political Counselor in Moscow; Special Assistant, Office of the Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs and Political Officer in Mexico City.

A graduate of Mt. Union College, Ambassador Boster's legal residence is Hudson, Ohio. He is represented by Congressman Stanton (R).

Secretary Kissinger recommends this appointment, and I concur.

\_\_\_\_\_ Approve \_\_\_\_\_ Disapprove

DAVIS EUGENE BOSTER

Mr. Boster received his A.B. degree from Mt. Union College (Ohio) in 1942. He studied Russian at the Naval Intelligence School 1946-47 and attended the Senior Seminar in Foreign Policy at the Foreign Service Institute in 1961-62. He was with the U.S. Navy as a Lieutenant from 1942-47. He entered the State Department in 1947 and was assigned to Moscow as a Press Analyst. He was an Analyst with the Office of Intelligence Research in 1949 and 1950 and was on the Soviet Desk in the Bureau of European Affairs from 1950-54. He was then assigned to Bonn as a Political Officer on Soviet and East European Affairs from 1954-57. (FSR-4, 1954; FSO-4, 1954; FSO-5, July 1956; FSO-4, 1957). In 1958-59 he served as Staff Assistant to the Secretary. He was promoted to FSO-3 in 1959.

His other assignments include:

1959-61 - Office of European Affairs, US-USSR  
Bilateral Political Relations

1962-63 - Mexico City, Political Officer (FSO-2, 1963)  
1964 - Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary  
of State for Inter-American Affairs

1965 - Special Assistant, Office of the Under  
Secretary of State for Economic Affairs

1965-67 - Moscow, Political Counselor



1967-70 - Kathmandu, Deputy Chief of Mission (FSO-1,  
1967)

1970-73 - Warsaw, Deputy Chief of Mission

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1974 to present - Ambassador to Bangladesh

He is fluent in Russian and Spanish. He is married  
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Date of Birth: September 14, 1920

Legal Residence: Hudson, Ohio



THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

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June 15, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: HENRY A. KISSINGER  
SUBJECT: Nomination of Ambassador to Guatemala

I recommend that you nominate Davis Eugene Boster (FSO-1), now serving as Ambassador to Bangladesh, to be Ambassador to Guatemala.

A biographic resumé of Mr. Boster is attached.

APPROVE \_\_\_\_\_

DISAPPROVE \_\_\_\_\_

Attachment:

As stated.



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MEMORANDUM OF INFORMATION FOR THE FILE

DATE 7/26/76

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LETTER, MEMO, ETC.

TO:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

*Douglas Bennett*

*James Connor*

*Ambassador to Guatemala*

*Boster, Davis Eugene*



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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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July 26, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT  
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*  
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala

Confirming a phone call to your office, the President has reviewed your memorandum of July 22 on the above subject and has approved the nomination of Davis Eugene Boster as Ambassador to Guatemala.

cc: Dick Cheney

Nomination 8/23/76

Confirmed 9/15/76

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 22, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY  
FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT <sup>DPB</sup>  
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala

PPO RECOMMENDED CANDIDATE:

Davis Eugene Boster

Support - Secretary Kissinger

Opposition - None



The attached recommendation has evoked the following responses:

Concurrence - Counsellor Hartmann, Counsellor Marsh,  
Assistant for Legislative Affairs (Scott and  
Rhodes), Domestic Council, Republican  
National Committee and Jana Fagan.

No Objection - Counsel's Office and National Security  
Council.

No Comment - The Vice President and Public Liaison Office.

Attachments

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 23, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY  
FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT *DPB*  
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala



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A graduate of Mt. Union College, Ambassador Boster's legal residence is Hudson, Ohio. He is represented by Congressman Stanton (R).

Secretary Kissinger recommends this appointment, and I concur.

*RRG* Approve \_\_\_\_\_ Disapprove

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DISAPPROVE \_\_\_\_\_

Attachment:

As stated.



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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 17, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
THROUGH: RICHARD B. CHENEY  
FROM: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT  
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala

Attached for your signature is the nomination document for Davis Eugene Boster, of Ohio, a Foreign Service Officer of Class one, to be Ambassador to Guatemala. He would succeed Francis E. Meloy, Jr., who was transferred to another post.

Mr. Boster is currently Ambassador to Bangladesh.

All necessary checks have been completed. This action reflects your decision of July 26, 1976.



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

July 26, 1976

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DOUGLAS P. BENNETT  
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*  
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Guatemala

Confirming a phone call to your office, the President has reviewed your memorandum of July 22 on the above subject and has approved the nomination of Davis Eugene Boster as Ambassador to Guatemala.

cc: Dick Cheney

*Doug*

*vice  
Francis Meloy*



*Robin*

*7/27/76*