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## NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President today announced the designation of Ethel Bent Walsh, of the District of Columbia, as Vice Chairman of the Equal Employment Commission. She succeeds Luther Holcomb who left the Commission in September of 1974 when his term of appointment ended.

Mrs. Walsh has been serving as a member of the Commission since January 19, 1971, and will serve as Acting Chairman during the vacancy in that office.

The purposes of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) are to end discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in hiring, promotion, firing, wages, testing, training, apprenticeship, and all other conditions of employment; and to promote voluntary action programs by employers, unions, and community organizations to put equal employment opportunity into actual operation.