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The President today announced his intention to nominate Nathaniel Davis, of Hoboken, New Jersey, to be Ambassador to Switzerland. He will succeed Peter Dominick who has resigned.

Since April 1975, Ambassador Davis has been Assistant Secretary for African Affairs. He served as Director General of the Foreign Service from 1973 to 1975. He was Ambassador to Chile from 1971 to 1973 and was Ambassador to Guatemala from 1968 to 1971. From 1966 to 1968 he was on the National Security Council Staff at the White House. He was Minister to Bulgaria during 1965.

In 1962, Ambassador Davis joined the Peace Corps as Special Assistant to the Director of the Peace Corps and as Deputy Associate Director for Program Development and Operations. serving until 1965. He was Deputy Officer in Charge of Soviet Affairs at the Department of State from 1956 to 1960. He had assignments in Moscow (1954-56); Rome (1952-53); Florence (1949-52); and in Prague (1947-49).

Ambassador Davis was born on April 12, 1925, in Boston, Massachusetts, and received his B.A. degree from Brown University and was a Phi Beta Kappa. He received his Ph.D. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy. He served in the United States Navy during World War II.

Ambassador Davis is married to the former Elizabeth Creese and they have four children.