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## THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Margita E. White, of McLean, Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission for a term expiring July 1, 1983. She will succeed Glenn O. Robinson whose term expired on June 30, 1976. Mrs. White has been Assistant Press Secretary to the President since February, 1975, and was named Director of the Office of Communications on June 18, 1975.

Born in Sweden on June 27, 1937, Mrs. White emigrated with her family to California in 1948. She became a U.S. citizen in 1955. She received her B.A. degree magna cum laude from the University of the Redlands in California. She attended Rutgers University and received her M.A. in 1960 in Political Science, where she was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow at the Eagleton Institute of Politics. She was awarded the University of Redlands Alumni Association's Distinguished Service Award in 1974.

In 1961, Mrs. White became Administrative Assistant for the Honolulu office of Whitaker and Baxter Advertising Agency. She was appointed minority Press Secretary for the Hawaii House of Representatives in 1963. She was a research aide to Senator Barry Goldwater and a research associate with the Republican National Committee during 1963-64 and a research assistant and writer with the Free Society Association during 1965-66. From 1967 to 1969, she was a research assistant to syndicated columnist, the late Raymond Moley. From January, 1969 to February, 1973, she was an assistant to Herbert G. Klein, Director of Communications for the Executive Branch. From 1973 to 1975, she was Assistant Director of the United States Information Agency (Public Information).

Mrs. White received the U.S.I.A.'s Superior Honor Award in 1975 and is a founding member and current secretary of Executive Women in Government.

Mrs. White is married to Stuart C. White and they have two children. They reside in McLean, Virginia.

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