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MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 15, 1982

TO: HELENE VON DAMM

FROM: JOY COTHRAN *Joy*

Subject: Ambassadorial Holdovers

Per your request, below is an updated list on the status of ambassadorial holdovers:

<u>COUNTRY</u>	<u>HOLDOVER</u>	<u>AMBASSADOR IN POST FOR 2 YEARS AS OF THE FOLLOWING DATES:</u>
✓ 1. Argentina	Harry Shlaudeman	10-6-82
2. Bahrain	Peter Sutherland	7-2-82
3. Burma	Holdover with WH Approval: Patricia Byrne	12-14-81
4. Cameroon	Hume Alexander Horan	7-9-82
✓ 5. Egypt	Holdover with WH Approval: Alfred Atherton, Jr.	5-22-81
6. Ghana	Holdover with WH Approval: Thomas W. Smith	9/79
✓ 7. Hungary	Harry E. Bergold	3/82
8. Israel	Holdover with WH Approval: Samuel L. Lewis	5-2-79
9. Ivory Coast	Nancy V. Rawls	12-20-81
10. Japan	Holdover with WH Approval: Michael J. Mansfield	5/79
11. Kenya	William Caldwell Harrop	7-10-82
12. Kuwait	Holdover with WH Approval: Francois Dickman	9/81
13. Madagascar	Fernando Rondon	10-8-82
14. Qatar	Charles E. Marthinsen	6-27-82
15. Singapore	Holdover with WH Approval: Harry E.T. Thayer	10-20-82
16. Spain	Holdover with WH Approval: Terence Todman	6-28-80
17. Sudan	C. William Kontos	6-6-82
18. Zimbabwe	Robert V. Keeley	5-29-82

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AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy

COUNTRY: PORTUGAL (Lisbon) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Richard J. Bloomfield

CANDIDATE: H. Allen HOLMES (Resume Tab B)

Currently Acting Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, Holmes has had an exemplary career, marked by rapid promotion. After a first tour in Yaounde, he returned to the Department for an assignment in S/S and a tour as staff assistant to the Under Secretary for Political Affairs. He then went to Rome as staff assistant to the Ambassador and as Political and Political Military officer. He returned to the Department in 1968 to assignments in Western European Affairs and as assistant to the Deputy Under Secretary for Administration. In 1971 he went to Paris as Political Counselor, followed by Senior Seminar, Office Director for European Regional Politico-Military Affairs and in 1977 he was selected by Ambassador Gardner to be Deputy Chief of Mission in Rome. Holmes has been repeatedly complimented for his political insights, articulateness, resourcefulness, versatility, enthusiasm and effectiveness with people. His experience has given him direct insight into the policy-making process and his present position gives him direct supervisory and policy responsibility for Iberian and NATO affairs. His familiarity with the full range of bilateral issues involving Portugal and American-European relations make him a first-rank candidate for our Embassy in Lisbon, particularly in a period of continuing negotiations on U.S. access to certain Portuguese military facilities.

SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

OTHER CANDIDATES CONSIDERED: TAB C

_____ Clark Concurrence Date: _____

_____ James Concurrence Date: _____

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<u>POST AND CLASS</u>	<u>INCUMBENT</u>	<u>STATUS OF INCUMBENT</u>	<u>PRESENTED CREDENTIALS</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
Lisbon, Portugal (11)	Richard J. Bloomfield	Career	3/6/78	U.S. Interests - A stable democratic government able to deal with Portugal's democratic problems and committed to continued cooperation with the United States on security issues, both bilaterally and within NATO.
<u>U. S. PERSONNEL</u>				
State	47			
Commerce	1			
MSG	13			
ICA	6			
AID	8			
AGRIC	1			
MAAG	19			
DAO	10			
Navy	7			
<u>BUDGET REQUEST (FY-81)</u>				
State	\$1,982,100			

Bilateral Issues - In reaction to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, Portugal has been among our most steadfast and outspoken allies. It was very supportive of our efforts to gain release of our hostages in Iran and of our position on Poland. The major potential issue is how to reconcile U.S. interest in continued and expanded use of Portuguese military facilities, for both NATO and Middle East/Southwest Asia purposes, with the Portuguese desire that its role in Western security not be limited to providing military facilities. This involves not only security assistance to help Portugal equip some elements of its armed forces so that they can meet minimal NATO standards, but also frequent high level consultations with Portuguese leaders in order to keep them informed and committed to a strong bilateral relationship. It is also very important that we not allow our current emphasis on close security relations to overtake our long-term interest in a broadly-based relationship supportive of Portugal's development as a strong democracy..

Qualifications of Chief of Mission - The United States is widely regarded as Portugal's best friend and most important ally. The American Ambassador is an important public figure and is the primary channel for communications between the two governments. Public affairs experience would be helpful, but more important is an ability to be an effective advocate of U.S. interests with the leaders of Portugal. This means the Ambassador should have a profound understanding of U.S. security interests in Europe, and especially Portugal--and experience in intergovernmental relations. Experience in Portugal and a knowledge of Portuguese would be useful. Probably more important, however, would be knowledge of and experience in dealing with European regional issues and U.S. interests in Europe, since Portugal is entering a period of increasingly close relations with Europe and the Atlantic community.

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RE UNSUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE FOR
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AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy *[Signature]*

COUNTRY: GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC (Berlin) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Herbert S. Okun (Career)

CANDIDATE: Rozanne L. Ridgway (Resume Tab B)

Rozanne L. Ridgway, a Career Minister of the Senior Foreign Service, age 46, is an outstanding officer of broad functional and geographic experience. Ms. Ridgway has impressively filled a number of difficult and significant positions. She became Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of Oceans, Environment and Scientific Affairs when the Congress and the fishing industry were convinced that the Department was trying to thwart the will of the Congress in establishing a unilaterally declared 200 mile fisheries conservation zone. The deadlines set by law for renegotiation of 14 fisheries agreements involving 20 countries seemed designed to produce failure, but Ms. Ridgway was credited with accomplishing the impossible. She is a skilled linguist, an accomplished executive, decisive, tough-minded, resourceful and responsible. She has self-confidence, and an outgoing, amiable personality as well as a clear grasp of U.S. policy interests, sound judgment and negotiating talent. As Ambassador to Finland she again demonstrated the full range of these qualities, making an extremely favorable impression on the Finnish media, leaders and general public. During her ambassadorship she considerably ameliorated a trade problem that was souring bilateral relations and had great success in accurately predicting Finnish reactions and policies generally. Her performance in these two posts established the basis for her selection to the high position of Counselor of the Department. She is currently serving as Special Assistant to the Secretary of State.

SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

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GERMAN DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC, Berlin
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Herbert S. Okun

U. S. Interests - The German Democratic Republic, one of the most strategically important countries in Europe, is vitally important to U.S. interests. Its close, dependent relationship with the USSR limits our direct influence on GDR policies. However, the GDR's position as part of a divided German nation and its strategic position at the center of Europe surrounding West Berlin provide considerable basis for U.S. interest in East German policies. Since the opening of Embassy Berlin in 1974, we have sought to establish the broadest range of contacts in the country to learn as much as possible about the workings of the secretive East German state. On the other hand, we have also sought modest progress in bilateral relations to encourage internal liberalization, promote a more constructive and independent foreign policy, and settle material claims by U.S. citizens against the GDR.

U.S. PERSONNEL

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POST BUDGET (FY-82 request)

\$1,970,703

Bilateral Issues - Claims negotiations should begin in January, 1982. Negotiations on a cultural agreement and a joint statement on agricultural cooperation are also underway. We intend also to continue to press the GDR to settle nongovernmental Jewish claims for victims of Nazism and to expedite resolution of divided family, fiancée and emergency visit cases.

Qualifications of the Chief of Mission - The main task of the American Ambassador in Berlin is to interpret U.S. interests to a skeptical East German leadership. The extraordinary importance of one-on-one contacts with East Germans makes it necessary for the Ambassador to do a great deal without aides or staff support. He must fully understand the background, dynamics, substance and detail of U.S. policies in Europe. Ideally, he should have experience in German and Eastern Europe or Soviet affairs in order to integrate better the two important aspects of GDR policies. He should also have a background in the political/military or arms control issues which are of prime concern to the East Germans. Finally, it is important that he understand the intricate Allied rights and responsibilities in Berlin and the interaction on these questions between the U.S., the FRG, the USSR and the GDR. A solid knowledge of German (and ideally Russian) is extremely important. The Ambassador must be personally energetic and innovative with a flair for contacts, a good leader with a keen interest in his staff's motivation and morale.

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Has Top Secret Department Security Clearance Based on Full Field Background Investigation or Update Last Completed on 1/31/80.

CANDIDATE FOR GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

NAME: Rozanne L. Ridgway

AGE: 46

RANK: Senior Foreign Service Officer - Career Minister

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE: Latin America, Europe

COUNTRIES OF EXPERIENCE: Norway, Italy, Bahamas, Ecuador, Peru, Finland

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: Italian, Norwegian, Spanish

EDUCATION: AB, Hamline University, 1957

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1981-present	Special Assistant to the Secretary of State,
1980-1981	Counselor of the Department of State
1977-1980	Ambassador to Finland
1975-1977	Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Oceans, Environment, and Scientific Affairs, Department of State
1973-1975	Deputy Chief of Mission, Nassau
1972-1973	Special Assistant, Policy Planning, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, Department of State
1970-1972	International Relations Officer for Ecuador and Peru, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, Department of State
1967-1970	Political Officer, Oslo
1964-1967	International Relations Officer, Regional Political-Military Affairs, Bureau of European Affairs, Department of State
1962-1964	Consular Officer, Palermo
1959-1962	Personnel Officer, Manila
1957-1959	Information Specialist, Department of State

Social Security Number: [REDACTED]

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Marital Status: Single

Children: None

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM TO: The President
FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
SUBJECT: Ambassador to German Democratic
Republic (PAS/Class III)

For Ambassador to the German Democratic Republic, I recommend that you nominate the following candidate:

Rozanne L. Ridgway, a Career Minister of the Senior Foreign Service, age 46, is an outstanding officer of broad functional and geographic experience. Ms. Ridgway has impressively filled a number of difficult and significant positions. She became Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of Oceans, Environment and Scientific Affairs when the Congress and the fishing industry were convinced that the Department was trying to thwart the will of the Congress in establishing a unilaterally declared 200 mile fisheries conservation zone. The deadlines set by law for renegotiation of 14 fisheries agreements involving 20 countries seemed designed to produce failure, but Ms. Ridgway was credited with accomplishing the impossible. She is a skilled linguist, an accomplished executive, decisive, tough-minded, resourceful and responsible. She has self-confidence, and an outgoing, amiable personality as well as a clear grasp of U.S. policy interests, sound judgment and negotiating talent. As Ambassador to Finland she again demonstrated the full range of these qualities, making an extremely favorable impression on the Finnish media, leaders and general public. During her ambassadorship she considerably ameliorated a trade problem that was souring bilateral relations and had great success in accurately predicting Finnish reactions and policies generally. Her performance in these two posts established the basis for her selection to the high position of Counselor of the Department. She is currently serving as Special Assistant to the Secretary of State.

Approve _____ Disapprove _____

Candidate contacted by _____ Date _____

Contact data: Office: (202)632-5200

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RE CANDIDATE FOR AMBASSADOR TO POLAND

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	RE CANDIDATE FOR AMBASSADOR TO UGANDA			

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AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy *RJK*

COUNTRY: SOMALIA (Mogadishu) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Donald K. Petterson (Career)

CANDIDATE: Robert B. OAKLEY (Resume Tab B)

Robert B. OAKLEY, Career Minister of the Senior Foreign Service, age 51, has been Ambassador in Kinshasa since 1979. Mr. Oakley has a broad background in African, Near Eastern, East Asian as well as International Organization affairs. He has served in Khartoum, Abidjan, Saigon, Paris (responsible for African and Near Eastern Affairs), Beirut, the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, and on the National Security Council as a Middle East expert. Prior to his mission in Zaire, he was Deputy Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs. Throughout his career Mr. Oakley has been described as an outstanding officer, with a keen mind, "limitless" energy, strong analytical and drafting skills, a highly developed sense of policy and timing, with exceptional ability as a coordinator and organizer. He has a congenial, confidence-building personality characterized as Lincolnesque in its integrity and realism. He is particularly effective in situations calling for active and strong leadership.

SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

OTHER CANDIDATES CONSIDERED: TAB C

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DECISION MEMORANDUM FOR PRESIDENT (TAB D): APPROVED: _____
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Donald K. Petterson FE-MC

12/78

U. S. Interests and Bilateral Issues - Somalia's location makes it a key element in the current U.S. strategic framework for projecting strength in the Southwest Asia region. The Somalis have moved to an increasingly close relationship with the U.S. after severing all but formal diplomatic ties with the Soviet Union and terminating Soviet use of the port and airfield at Berbera. In August 1980 the U.S. and Somali Governments completed an agreement allowing for U.S. military access to Somali air and port facilities. Somali's economy, one of the poorest in the world, is currently under additional strain caused by a large influx of refugees who have fled to Somalia from southern and eastern Ethiopia during the past two years. The Somali Government has taken on the task of housing and caring for the refugees with international assistance. Somalia's relations are particularly strained with Ethiopia which is supported by the USSR, Cuba and Libya.

Chief of Mission Qualifications - The U.S. Ambassador to Somalia must be sensitive to Somalia's desire for support in a difficult regional political environment. He or she should be open minded, flexible and comfortable in the African cultural environment. Familiarity with military and economic assistance programs is desirable. Important also are management skills and a sure grasp of the range of U.S. policy interests in the area.

SOMALIA, Mogadishu (III)
U. S. PERSONNEL
State 22
ICA 2
AID 33
DIA 3
OMC 2

POST BUDGET (FY-82)

STATE \$1,845,000
ICA 584,000
AID 2,521,000
DIA 112,000

FOREIGN ASSISTANCE (FY-82)

PL-480 \$15,000,000
ESF 20,000,000
FMS 40,000,000
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CANDIDATE FOR SOMALIA

NAME: Robert B. OAKLEY
AGE: 51
RANK: Career Minister of the Senior Foreign Service
AREAS OF EXPERIENCE: Africa, Europe, Near East, Southeast Asia
COUNTRIES OF EXPERIENCE: France, Ivory Coast, Lebanon, Sudan, Vietnam, Zaire
FOREIGN LANGUAGES: French
EDUCATION: AB, Princeton, 1952

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1979-present	Ambassador to Zaire
1977-1979	Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs
1974-1977	Detail to National Security Council
1971-1974	Political Officer, Beirut
1969-1971	Political Officer, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, Department of State
1967-1979	Political Officer, Paris
1965-1967	Political Officer, Saigon
1963-1965	Economic/Commercial Officer, Abidjan
1962-1963	International Relations Officer, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, Department of State
1960-1962	Foreign Affairs Officer, Department of State
1958-1960	General Services/Political Officer, Khartoum
1957-1958	International Relations Officer, Department of State

Social Security Number: [REDACTED] b(6)

Marital Status: Married

Children: Two

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM TO: The President
FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Somalia (PAS/Class III)

For Ambassador to Somalia, I recommend that you nominate the following candidate:

Robert B. OAKLEY, Career Minister of the Senior Foreign Service, age 51, has been Ambassador in Kinshasa since 1979. Mr. Oakley has a broad background in African, Near Eastern, East Asian as well as International Organization affairs. He has served in Khartoum, Abidjan, Saigon, Paris (responsible for African and Near Eastern Affairs), Beirut, the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, and on the National Security Council as a Middle East expert. Prior to his mission in Zaire, he was Deputy Assistant Secretary for East Asian and Pacific Affairs. Throughout his career Mr. Oakley has been described as an outstanding officer, with a keen mind, "limitless" energy, strong analytical and drafting skills, a highly developed sense of policy and timing, with exceptional ability as a coordinator and organizer. He has a congenial, confidence-building personality characterized as Lincolnesque in its integrity and realism. He is particularly effective in situations calling for active and strong leadership.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Candidate contacted by _____ Date _____

Contact data: Office: 25881 (Zaire)

AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy *[Signature]*

COUNTRY: SEYCHELLES (Victoria, Mahe) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Vacant

CANDIDATE: David J. FISCHER (Resume Tab B)

David J. FISCHER, Counselor of the Senior Foreign Service, age 43, is a political officer with an Eastern Europe specialization. Mr. Fischer has held a wide variety of geographic and functional assignments in a career spanning 20 years. He began his service as a visa officer in Frankfurt and then, following Polish language training, was assigned to Warsaw as consular, press and assistant cultural affairs officer. Returning to Washington, he took up his duties as an analyst on East Germany in the Bureau of Intelligence and Research and was subsequently detailed to the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency as a foreign affairs officer. He then studied Bulgarian and was posted to Sofia as political-economic officer after which he served as political officer in Kathmandu. In recent years he has been assigned to the Department's Political-Military Affairs Bureau where he worked on SALT matters, to the Public Affairs Bureau as director of the Office of Public Programs, and currently as Deputy Chief of Mission in Dar-es-Salaam. Mr. Fischer has invariably received superlative performance and potential ratings. Versatile, action-oriented, and intellectually quick, he is a master drafting officer. He is also viewed as a skilled manager and supervisor, attentive to the morale and development of subordinates. He excels in contact work and is an accomplished negotiator. He has a working knowledge of French.

SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

OTHER CANDIDATES CONSIDERED: TAB C

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STATUS OF PRESENTED CREDENTIALS

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COMMENTS

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Victoria, Mahe
(IV)

U. S. PERSONNEL

STATE
PC Volunteers

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Vacant**

POST BUDGET (FY 1982)

STATE \$ 141,600
ICA 11,100
AID (Economic Support) 2,000,000

U. S. Interests

--The maintenance of our USAF satellite tracking facility and the denial of military base rights/facilities to the Soviet Union.

--Enhancement of Seychelles' political stability and economic and social welfare patterned more closely on a Western democratic model.

Bilateral Issues - The elimination of Seychelles' suspicions about U.S. intentions toward the current regime.

Chief of Mission Qualifications - Victoria is our smallest post in Africa and requires deft program direction. The Ambassador must defend U.S. interests and oversee a significant economic assistance relationship in a country that is experiencing increasing economic difficulties and continuing to shift leftward politically. This requires some experience in a Third World environment. The incumbent must be prepared to deal with open as well as subtle forms of hostility to U.S. interests. He or she should have a firm understanding of our Indian Ocean/Southwest Asia strategy and a conversant knowledge of African issues and concerns. Finally the Chief of Mission will need a tolerance for living and working in a fishbowl setting where one's daily routine can be the source of rumor and gossip. The national languages are English, French and Creole; a knowledge of French is desirable but not essential.

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CANDIDATE FOR SEYCHELLES

NAME: David J. FISCHER

AGE: 43

RANK: Counselor of the Senior Foreign Service

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE: Eastern and Western Europe, South Asia, Africa

COUNTRIES OF EXPERIENCE: West Germany, Poland, Bulgaria, Tanzania

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: Polish, German, Bulgarian, French

EDUCATION: AB, Brown University, 1960

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1979 to present	Deputy Chief of Mission, Dar-es-Salaam
1978-1979	Director of Public Programs, Bureau of Public Affairs, Department of State
1977-1978	Political-Military Affairs Officer, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State
1974-1977	Political Officer, Kathmandu
1972-1974	Political/Economic Officer, Sofia
1972	Bulgarian Language Training
1970-1972	International Relations Officer, Arms Control and Disarmament Agency
1968-1970	Analyst-East Germany, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department of State
1964-1968	Consular Officer and USICA detail as Press and Assistant Cultural Affairs Officer, Warsaw
1963-1964	Polish Language Training
1961-1963	Consular Officer, Frankfurt

Social Security Number: [REDACTED] b(6)

Marital Status: Married

Children: Three

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM TO: The President
FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
SUBJECT: Ambassador to Seychelles (PAS/Class IV)

For Ambassador to Seychelles, I recommend that you nominate the following candidate:

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Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Candidate contacted by _____ Date _____

Contact data: Office: 68894 (Dar-es-Salaam)
Home: 67176 (Dar-es-Salaam)

AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy *[Signature]*

COUNTRY: RWANDA (Kigali) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Harry R. Melone (Career)

CANDIDATE: John P. BLANE (Resume Tab B)

John P. BLANE, Minister-Counselor of the Senior Foreign Service, age 52, is a 25-year veteran of the Foreign Service with experience in five countries in East and Central Africa. He has served twice as Deputy Chief of Mission -- in N'Djamena and recently in Nairobi -- and has also served in various capacities in the Department's African Bureau. In addition, he has been assigned as Director of Bilateral Programs for the Environmental Protection Agency from 1975 to 1977. A 1981 graduate of the Executive Seminar in National and International Affairs, he is currently assigned to the African Bureau in which capacity he has served as the Bureau's representative at the recent UN General Assembly and has reopened our mission in Chad earlier this year. Mr. Blane is described by his Foreign Service supervisors as a vigorous and dedicated professional with impressive skills in management and interpersonal relations. He also scores highly in policy orientation, drafting and productivity. He was commended by EPA for his superior performance as a planner and coordinator. Mr. Blane speaks good French.

SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

OTHER CANDIDATES CONSIDERED: TAB C

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POST AND CLASS
 RWANDA, Kigali
 (IV)

U. S. PERSONNEL

State	9
AID	7
ICA	1
Peace Corps:	1
Staff	1
Volunteers	5

POST BUDGET

State	\$ 615,000
AID	4,520,000 (Est)
ICA	327,000

Foreign Assistance: \$6.7 million

INCUMBENT
 Harry R. Melone, Jr.

STATUS OF INCUMBENT
 FE-MC

PRESENTED CREDENTIALS
 12/28/79

COMMENTS
 U. S. Interests and Bilateral Issues - Bilateral relations between the U.S. and Rwanda are friendly and positive. Rwanda pursues a pragmatic, generally pro-western foreign policy and its human rights record is among the best in Africa. We encourage the GOR's steps toward regional cooperation and moderation in international fora. Commercial interests are limited to coffee purchases and modest investment in tea production. There is a small Peace Corps program and a modest development assistance program. (6.7 million dollars has been requested for Rwanda for FY '82.)

Problems in our relations generally arise from our inability and/or unwillingness to fulfill Rwanda's high expectations. Rwandan leaders are disturbed by what they see as an American abdication of responsibility both developmentally and politically in Africa. They would like to see AID levels rise considerably. The complexities and delays inherent in our AID procedures confuse Rwandans and thus often negate the positive impact of the various projects.

Chief of Mission Qualifications - The Ambassador should be adept in dealing with these myriad problems. This requires flexibility, patience, enthusiasm, tact, and development experience, preferably in Africa. All these qualifications must be complemented by good French. Additionally, the Ambassador must be an effective manager, since everyday problems in isolated Kigali can overwhelm the mission and adversely affect both performance and morale.

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CANDIDATE FOR RWANDA

NAME: John P. Blane

AGE: 52

RANK: Senior Foreign Service Officer - Minister-Counselor

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE: Africa, Europe

COUNTRIES OF EXPERIENCE: Somalia, Ethiopia, Cameroon, Chad, Kenya, Austria

FOREIGN LANGUAGES: German, French

EDUCATION: AB, University of Tennessee, 1951
MA, University of Tennessee, 1956

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1981-present	Special Projects, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State
1980-1981	Member of the Executive Seminar in National and International Affairs
1977-1980	Deputy Chief of Mission, Nairobi
1975-1977	Detail, Environmental Protection Agency
1972-1975	Deputy and Acting Director of the Policy Planning Staff, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State
1969-1972	Deputy Chief of Mission, N'Djamena
1968-1969	Analyst for Northeast Africa, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department of State
1966-1968	Desk office for Chad, Gabon and Equatorial Africa, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State
1963-1966	Political Officer, Yaounde
1960-1963	Salzburg
1957-1960	Asmara
1957	Mogadishu

Social Security Number: [REDACTED] b(6)

Marital Status: Married

Children: One

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Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Candidate contacted by _____ Date _____

Contact data: Office: 632-2279

AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy *[Signature]*

COUNTRY: MAURITANIA (Nouakchott) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Vacant

CANDIDATE: Edward L. Peck (Resume Tab B)

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SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

OTHER CANDIDATES CONSIDERED: TAB C

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U. S. Interests and Bilateral Issues - Mauritania is an important element in the overall security and stability of Northwest Africa. We continue to encourage a Mauritanian posture in support of a peaceful solution to the Western Sahara conflict which will contribute to regional security. It is in the U.S. interest to preserve Mauritania as a national entity capable of playing a buffer role between Arab/Berber North Africa and sub-Sahara black Africa and in blunting Algerian/Libyan influence in such moderate states as Senegal. Mauritania is also important to the success of the Sahel Development Program, a long-term multi-donor effort by which the U.S. provides economic assistance to nine area states. The Government of Mauritania opposes our policies in the Middle East and has serious misgivings concerning U.S. intentions in the Western Sahara. Mauritania would like the U.S. to exert more pressure on King Hassan in order to move Morocco to negotiate a compromise solution to the Western Sahara conflict. Mauritania is also seeking greater U.S. development assistance, particularly for dam and irrigation projects. In fits and starts the Mauritanian government has sought closer political relations with the U.S. as it continues to count on U.S. support for the racially divided country.

Chief of Mission Qualifications - The AID, ICA and Peace Corps components of the mission are increasing rapidly. The Ambassador should thus have strong program direction skills to assure orderly and productive growth. Experience in Africa, as well as the Arab world, is important. The Chief of Mission needs to be skilled in interpersonal relations, able to establish close rapport with Mauritania's leaders, and sensitive to staff morale in this isolated hardship post. Fluent French is essential.

Vacant

U. S. PERSONNEL

- State 14
- AID 17
- ICA 1
- PC Staff 3
- PCVS 34

POST BUDGET

- State FY 81 \$1,471,000
- ICA 255,000
- AID-Program 6,550,000
- AID-Admin 1,650,000

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CANDIDATE FOR MAURITANIA

NAME: Edward L. Peck
AGE: 53
RANK: Senior Foreign Service Officer - Minister-Counselor
AREAS OF EXPERIENCE: Near East, North Africa, Europe
COUNTRIES OF EXPERIENCE: Iraq, Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Sweden
FOREIGN LANGUAGES: French, Swedish, Arabic
EDUCATION: BS, University of California at Los Angeles, 1956
MBA, George Washington University, 1973

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1980-present	Director, Office of Egyptian Affairs, Bureau of Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, Department of State
1977-1980	Principal Officer, Baghdad
1974-1977	Counselor for Economic and Commercial Affairs, Cairo
1971-1974	Special Assistant for the Under Secretary for Political Affairs, Department of State
1968-1971	Foreign Affairs Coordination Officer, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, Department of State
1966-1968	Principal Officer, Oran
1964-1966	Economic Officer, Tunis
1962-1964	Arabic Language Training, Tangiers
1960-1962	Political/Economic Officer, Goteborg
1958-1960	Economic Training
1957-1958	International Relations Officer, Department of State

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Children: Four

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

MEMORANDUM TO: The President
FROM: Alexander M. Haig, Jr. 
SUBJECT: Ambassador to MAURITANIA (PAS/Class III)

For Ambassador to MAURITANIA, I recommend that you nominate the following candidate:

Edward L. Peck, Minister-Counselor of the Senior Foreign Service, age 53, is a 25-year Service veteran and an Arab specialist. Mr. Peck has been director of Egyptian Affairs since mid-1980. Prior to that he served for two years as Chief of the U.S. Interests Section in Baghdad. His earlier experience was largely in North African communities: Tangier, Tunis, Oran, followed by a tour as economic/commercial officer in Cairo. He has also served as Special Assistant to the Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, acquiring a special view of the policy-making process in the Department. His economic credentials include private experience in the petroleum industry prior to entering the Service. Mr. Peck's dedication and energy have been noted in all of his assignments. The invariably high quality of his performance won him the Rivkin award in 1973 as well as a number of other meritorious and superior honor citations in recent years. He was praised by the Foreign Service inspectors for his strong and effective leadership which inspired high morale and a common sense of purpose at Baghdad, one of the more difficult Foreign Service posts. Mr. Peck speaks fluent French.

Approve _____

Disapprove _____

Candidate contacted by _____ Date _____

Contact data: Office: (202)63-22365

AMBASSADORIAL NOMINATION FORM

TO: Presidential Personnel Office: Helene von Damm/
Pendleton James

FROM: Richard T. Kennedy *RM*

COUNTRY: THE GAMBIA (Banjul) POST DESCRIPTION: TAB A

CURRENT INCUMBENT AND STATUS: Larry E. Piper (Career)

CANDIDATE: Sharon E. Ahmad (Resume Tab B)

Sharon E. Ahmad, Counselor of the Senior Foreign Service, age 48, is currently a member of the Executive Seminar in National and International Affairs. Ms. Ahmad recently completed a tour as Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Bureau of European Affairs, with responsibility for Canada, Italy, France, Spain, Portugal and Malta. In this assignment she was able to exercise her managerial and senior policy-making skills, supplementing her already proven expertise as an economic-commercial officer. Ms. Ahmad has acquired broad geographic background through service in three areas. She began her career in the Economic and Business Bureau, followed by tours as economic officer in Rome; consular officer in Curacao; economic officer in the Office of Canadian Affairs and as economic officer in Islamabad. She was subsequently assigned as Director of the Office of International Trade Policy. Ms. Ahmad is given high marks in problem solving. Working in complicated interagency settings, she has demonstrated remarkable success in fixing and meeting deadlines, as well as skill and logic in defending principles of U.S. policy. She has shown a talent for innovation in experimenting with the shifting of duties of her subordinates to obtain optimum performance.

SUPPORT: Secretary Haig, Stoessel Committee

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POST AND CLASS

THE GAMBIA, Banjul
(IV)

U. S. PERSONNEL

State	5
AID	7
Peace Corps	
Staff	3
Volunteers	43

POST BUDGET

State	\$ 771,000
ICA	92,000
AID-Program	4,750,000 (est)

INCUMBENT

Larry E. Piper FE-OC

STATUS OF INCUMBENT

8/21/80

PRESENTED CREDENTIALS

COMMENTS

U. S. Interests - The smallest and one of the poorest countries on the continent of Africa, The Gambia is of little strategic, economic or political importance to the United States. It is, however, a functioning democracy, has an excellent record on human rights, and pursues moderate policies on international issues. U.S. interests in The Gambia center on (1) contributing to the economic development of a "fourth world" country which shares common philosophical and political principles with the U.S.; (2) encouraging continued Gambian support of moderate solutions to international issues; (3) contributing to the multi-donor, long-term Sahel development program in which The Gambia participates; (4) maintaining the close ties between Gambians and Americans which have flourished in the wake of Alex Haley's book on black American roots in the Gambia.

Bilateral Issues - There are no serious bilateral issues between the U.S. and The Gambia. The Gambian government would, however, like to see a greater economic assistance effort by the U.S., particularly some U.S. participation in a major dam/bridge project on the Gambia River. Whether and how the U.S. participates in the project, which the Gambians consider their number one development priority, may well be the touchstone of U.S.-Gambian relations in the future. Gambia may also seek U.S. support and/or advice as they move toward confederation with Senegal.

Chief of Mission Qualifications - The Ambassador should have strong program direction skills to assure that the current growth of the Mission continues in an orderly and productive manner. The Chief of Mission should also have experience in development economics in order to monitor and shape effectively the increasing AID program. A broad background in African issues is important; a great share of substantive analysis and reporting will fall on the Ambassador's shoulders. The Ambassador should also have the ability to establish close, friendly rapport with President Jawara and other Gambian leaders who welcome full consultations with U.S. officials on the range of issues of mutual interest. The Chief of Mission needs to be skilled in dealing with staff and attentive to employee morale in this isolated mission.

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CANDIDATE FOR THE GAMBIA

NAME: Sharon E. Ahmad
AGE: 48
RANK: Senior Foreign Service Officer - Counselor
AREAS OF EXPERIENCE: Western Europe, South America, South Asia
COUNTRIES OF EXPERIENCE: Italy, Netherlands Antilles, Pakistan
FOREIGN LANGUAGES: Spanish, Italian
EDUCATION: BA, Municipal University of Omaha, 1955
MA, Northwestern University, 1956

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

1981-present	Executive Seminar in National and International Affairs
1978-1981	Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of European Affairs, Department of State
1977-1978	Director, Office of International Trade Policy, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State
1975-1977	Chief, General Commercial Policy Division, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State
1966-1970	Economic Officer, Islamabad
1962-1966	Economic Officer, Office of Canadian Affairs, Bureau of European Affairs, Department of State
1960-1962	Consular Officer, Curacao
1958-1960	Economic Officer, Rome
1956-1958	Economic Officer, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State

Social Security Number:  b(6)

Marital Status: Widowed

Children: Two

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