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The President today announced his intention to nominate Richard R. Burt to be Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs. He would succeed Laurence S. Eagleburger.

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Since January 1981, Mr. Burt has been serving as Director of the Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs at the Department of State. Previously, he was the National Security Affairs Correspondent for The New York Times covering foreign policy and defense issues in Washington, including the State Department, the Pentagon, the National Security Council, the Central Intelligence Agency, and Capitol Hill. Mr. Burt has served as Assistant Director of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London; was a Research Associate at the International Institute for Strategic Studies; worked as an advanced research fellow at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island; and was an adviser on defense and arms control to the House of Representatives Republican Wednesday Group.

Mr. Burt received a B.A. in Government (Honors Program) from Cornell University in 1969 and an M.A. in International Relations from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University in 1972. He passed his doctoral examinations at the same institution in 1973 "with distinction". He is the author of many scholarly articles on European security and strategic affairs. He was born February 3, 1947.

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