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ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL RAMSEY CLARK (TEXAN, 39) WAS NAMED BY THE PRESIDENT TO BECOME ATTORNEY GENERAL YESTERDAY, FEB. 28. CLARK, AND OLD FAMILY FRIEND OF THE PRESIDENT, AND RESPECTED SUPPORTER OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND CIVIL LIBERTIES, CAME TO THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT IN THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION IN 1961 AS AN ASST. ATTORNEY GENERAL IN CHARGE OF THE LANDS DIVISION. HE WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL 2 YEARS AGO, WHEN KATZENBACH SUCCEEDED R.F. KENNEDY. WITHOUT EVER GAINING MUCH PUBLIC ATTENTION, CLARK AQUIRED A SOLID REPUTATION INSIDE THE GOVERNMENT AS A LAWYER AND ABLE ADMINISTRATOR, ACTING RAPIDLY IN TOUCHY AREAS, SUCH AS THE ELECTRONIC EAVESDROPPING OF THE FBI. AS ACTING ATTORNEY GENERAL HE IS ALSO SAID TO HAVE M MOVED AGGRESSIVELY ON ANTITRUST ISSUES SUCH AS BANK MERGERS IN HOUSTON AND PHILADELPHIA. HE ENCOURAGED HIS ATTORNEYS TO FIGHT MERGER OF ITT AND ABC. 'THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE IS NOT A GOOD PLACE TO HAVE HIGH POLITICAL ACTIVITY,''. HE SAID.

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