BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

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Stephen B. Cohen was named to the post of Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Rights in July 1978. Just prior to his current appointment he was a member of the State Department Policy Planning Staff where he specialized in defense issues.

Prior to this Mr. Cohen taught law at Stanford Law School (1975-76), the University of Wisconsin Law School (1972-75, 1976-77), and Rutgers Law School (1971-72). His legal specialties are federal tax law and law and psychiatry.

Mr. Cohen served as a Team Member on the Council on Foreign Relations from 1970 to 1976, and worked for the "McCarthy for President" Campaign in 1968.

In his present position, Mr. Cohen handles export licensing policy and security assistance issues, as they relate to the application of the Carter Administration's human rights policy and he reports directly to Assistant Secretary for Human Rights and Humanitarian Affairs Patricia Derian.

Mr. Cohen received his A.B. from Amherst College in 1967, summa cum laude, and his J.D. from Yale Law School in 1971. He was born in Philadelphia in 1946.