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ROBERT C. CREEL APPOINTED DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS

The Department of State announces the appointment of Robert Calhoun Creel as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs. This appointment fills the vacancy created by the assignment of William C. Burdett as a Senior Inspector in the Foreign Service Inspection Corps.

Mr. Creel has been serving since September, 1962 as Director of the Office of German Affairs. He was appointed to the Foreign Service on July 28, 1947.

Following his entry into the Foreign Service, Mr. Creel was assigned successively to the United States diplomatic missions in Bucharest, Rumania, New Delhi, India, and Berlin. At Berlin, where he served from November, 1951, to June, 1954, he held the post of Chief, Political Affairs Division, in the State Department's Berlin office. From 1955 until the fall of 1958 he was the head of the German political desk in the State Department. Thereafter he served as Deputy Chief of Mission in Beirut, Lebanon and Vietiane, Laos.

Born in 1913 in Kansas City, Missouri, Mr. Creel is a graduate of Harvard College, Harvard Iaw School, and the National War College. Prior to World War II he practiced law in New York City. He served in the United States Army from early 1941 to 1946, mainly in the European Theater, and reached the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He is married and has two daughters, aged 6 and 5.

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