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ANGIER BIDDLE DUKE SWORN IN
AS CHIEF OF PROTOCOL

Angier Biddle Duke, of New York, was sworn in today as Chief of Protocol for the White House, with the personal rank of Ambassador. Since March, 1965, Mr. Duke had served as United States Ambassador to Spain. As Chief of Protocol (a post which he also held before, 1961-65), Mr. Duke succeeds James W. Symington, who has resigned to campaign for a Congressional seat.

Born in New York City, on November 30, 1915, Mr. Duke was educated at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire, and at Yale University. He received the honorary degree of LL.D. from Iona College in 1957. In World War II, he enlisted as a private and served with the United States Air Force in Europe, rising to the rank of Major.

Mr. Duke was President of Duke International Corporation from 1945 to 1948. He joined the Foreign Service in 1944 and served at Buenos Aires and Madrid, acting as Special Assistant to the Ambassador at the latter post in 1951-52. In 1952, President Truman appointed him as Ambassador to El Salvador, the youngest Ambassador in the history of the United States up to that time. Upon his resignation in June 1953, he became associated with the International Rescue Committee, a non-governmental refugee and relief organization, and served as its President until 1961. The late President Kennedy appointed Mr. Duke as Chief of Protocol in January of that year.

Ambassador Duke is married to the former Mrs. Robin Chandler Lynn, and they have five children: Letitia and Jeffrey Lynn; and Maria-Luisa, Dario and Biddle Duke.

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