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OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506

Ambassador William D. Eberle, the President's Special Representative for Trade Negotiations today announced the appointment of Alan Wolff as Deputy General Counsel in the Office of the Special Trade Representative. In his new position Mr. Wolff will work closely with STR's General Counsel, John Jackson, in the development of trade legislation and in the current preparations for upcoming U.S. trade negotiations.

Immediately prior to joining STR, Mr. Wolff was a senior attorney with the International Affairs Section of the Office of General Counsel at Treasury. During the last few years he has worked principally on trade matters and had recently been active in Treasury participation in both the drafting of Administration trade legislation and the preparations for international trade negotiations tentatively scheduled to begin late this year. In 1971 he had been closely concerned with the domestic and international aspects of the import surcharge. In 1969-70, he participated in the drafting of several major trade bills.

His major Treasury activities outside of the trade area included negotiating the Agreement Establishing the African Development Fund, participating in the lending reviews of the National Advisory Council on International Financial and Monetary Policies, and serving as legal counsel to the Presidential Commission on Travel.

Mr. Wolff received his law degree at Columbia University in 1966 and graduated from Harvard College in 1963, specializing in international relations and law. He is originally from Malden, Massachusetts. He is married and has two children and currently lives in Washington, D.C.

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NIXON TO NOMINATE EBERLE AS NEW TRADE NEGOTIATOR

Washington, September 23, 1971 -- The President on September 22 announced his intention to nominate William D. Eberle to be Special Representative for Trade Negotiations. He will succeed Carl Gilbert who has resigned. Ambassador Gilbert, who has served two years as Special Trade Representative, has agreed to retain the rank of Ambassador and to work with Mr. Eberle on special negotiating assignments.

Mr. Eberle, who will hold the rank of Ambassador, is currently chairman of American Standard, Inc. He was also recently named by the President to be the U.S. Representative on the high level trade group of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The Special Representative for Trade Negotiations, as defined by the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, is the chairman of the interagency trade organization established under the Act and is the chief representative of the United States in trade agreement negotiations and for other negotiations as assigned by the President. He chairs the cabinet-level Trade Expansion Act Advisory Committee, which makes recommendations on policy issues rising from the trade agreement program, on reports concerning tariff adjustments submitted by the tariff commission, and on foreign import restrictions.

As Special Trade Representative, Mr. Eberle will serve as a member of the Council on International Economic Policy. He will operate under the policy direction of the Council which is chaired by the President and whose executive director is Peter G. Peterson, assistant to the President for international economic affairs.

Born on June 5, 1923, in Boise, Idaho, Mr. Eberle went to American Standard, Inc., New York, ar president, in 1966. He was vice president of the Boise Cascade Corporation from 1960 to 1966 and was partner in the law firm of Richards, Hago & Eberle, Boise, Idaho, from 1950 to 1960.

He was a member of the Idaho House of Representatives from 1953 to 1963, serving as a majority leader in 1957, minority leader in 1959 and speaker in 1961. He received an A.B. degree from Stanford University in 1945, M.B.A. from Harvard University Graduate School of Business in 1947.

He is co-chairman of the National Urban Coalition, a director of the National Industrial Conference Board, a trustee of Stanford University and a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Mr. Eberle is also a trustee of the Committee on Economic Development.

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Ambassador William D. Eberle was confirmed today by the Senate as the Special Representative for Trade Negotiations. President Nixon had nominated Ambassador Eberle to be his Special Representative on September 21. He had also recently named Mr. Eberle to be the U. S. Representative on the High Level Trade Group of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

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Until his appointment, Eberle was Chairman of American Standard, Inc. He was born on June 5, 1923 in Boise, Idaho which he left to come to New York as President of American Standard in 1966. He was Vice President of the Boise Cascade Corporation from 1960 to 1966 and was partner in the law firm of Richards, Hago & Eberle, Boise, Idaho from 1950 to 1960. He was a member of the Idaho House of Representatives from 1953 to 1963, serving as a Majority Leader in 1957, Minority Leader in 1959 and Speaker in 1961. He received an A.B. degree from Stanford University in 1945, M.B.A. from Harvard University Graduate School of Business in 1947 and an LL.B from Harvard Law School in 1949.

He is a Trustee of Stanford University and the Committee for Economic Development. He has recently resigned as a Trustee of the Atlantic Insurance Companies, Centenial Insurance Companies, Non-Profit Housing Corp., National Urban Coalition, Common Cause and the Conference Board. He has also just resigned as a member of the Stanford Research Institute Advisory Council and as a Director of PPG Industries and Hewlett Packard, Inc.

Ambassador Eberle resides with his wife the former Jean Quick of New York City and their four children in Riverside, Connecticut.

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