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Under Secretary of State George W. Ball announced today the appointment of the Honorable Edward Gudeman to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on International Business Problems. The Committee, chaired by Mr. Clarence B. Randall, will advise the Secretary and the Administrator, Agency for International Development, on the handling of specific business problems confronting American firms abroad. The public members previously announced are Mr. Edwin A. Locke, Jr., of Long Island, Mr. Jacob Blaustein, of Baltimore, and Mr. C. Daggett Harvey, of Chicago.

Mr. Gudeman is a graduate of Harvard College. In 1927 he joined Sears Roebuck and Co. in Chicago and gradually rose to become a Vice President and Director of the Company. He resigned his Vice Presidency in 1959, but remained a Director of the Company.

In 1960 Mr. Gudeman became a Partner in the investment banking firm of Lehman Brothers and a Consultant and Director of Brunswick Corporation. He held these positions until January, 1961, at which time he was selected to be Under Secretary of Commerce in Washington, D.C. He then resigned from all private business activity. Mr. Gudeman was the Under Secretary of Commerce until February 15, 1963, at which time he left the Administration and again became a Partner of Lehman Brothers located in New York City.

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