

Ronald Reagan Presidential Library  
Digital Library Collections

---

This is a PDF of a folder from our textual collections.

---

**WHORM Subject File Code:** IT093

(International Organizations –  
United States Mission to North Atlantic Treaty Organization)

**Case file Number(s):** BEGIN-479999

**Box:** 34

---

To see more digitized collections visit:

<https://www.reaganlibrary.gov/archives/digitized-textual-material>

To see all Ronald Reagan Presidential Library inventories visit:

<https://www.reaganlibrary.gov/archives/white-house-inventories>

Contact a reference archivist at: **reagan.library@nara.gov**

Citation Guidelines: <https://reaganlibrary.gov/archives/research-support/citation-guide>

National Archives Catalogue: <https://catalog.archives.gov/>

# WITHDRAWAL SHEET

## Ronald Reagan Library

**Collection Name** WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
(WHORM): SUBJECT FILE

**File Folder** IT093 (UNITED STATES MISSION TO NORTH ATLANTIC  
TREATY ORGANIZATION)

**Box Number** 34

**Withdrawer** DLB 9/11/2014

**FOIA** S697

SYSTEMATIC  
116

ID	Doc Type	Document Description	No of Pages	Doc Date	Restrictions
165483	MEMO	DONALD MAHLEY TO ROBERT MCFARLANE, RE: OFFICE VISIT BY AMBASSADOR DAVID M. ABSHIRE	1	10/31/1984	B1

The above documents were not referred for declassification review at time of processing

Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

- B-1 National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
- B-2 Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
- B-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
- B-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
- B-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
- B-7 Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
- B-8 Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
- B-9 Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift.

# WITHDRAWAL SHEET

Ronald Reagan Library

IT093  
247014

*Collection Name*

WHITE HOUSE OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT  
(WHORM): SUBJECT FILE

*Withdrawer*

DLB 9/11/2014

*File Folder*

IT093 (UNITED STATES MISSION TO NORTH ATLANTIC  
TREATY ORGANIZATION)

*FOIA*

S697

SYSTEMATIC

*Box Number*

34

116

---

<i>ID</i>	<i>Document Type</i> <i>Document Description</i>	<i>No of</i> <i>pages</i>	<i>Doc Date</i>	<i>Restric-</i> <i>tions</i>
-----------	---	------------------------------	-----------------	---------------------------------

---

165483 MEMO

1 10/31/1984 B1

DONALD MAHLEY TO ROBERT MCFARLANE,  
RE: OFFICE VISIT BY AMBASSADOR DAVID M.  
ABSHIRE

---

The above documents were not referred for declassification review at time of processing  
Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

- B-1 National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]
- B-2 Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]
- B-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]
- B-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]
- B-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]
- B-7 Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]
- B-8 Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]
- B-9 Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

C. Closed in accordance with restrictions contained in donor's deed of gift.

National Security Council  
The White House

1423

System # 1

Package # 8150  
*all*

	SEQUENCE TO	HAS SEEN	DISPOSITION
Paul Thompson	<u>1</u>	<u>✓</u>	
Bob Kimmitt	<u>2</u>	<u>✓</u>	
John Poindexter	<u>3</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>I</u>
Tom Shull	<u>4</u>		
Wilma Hall	<u>5</u>		
Bud McFarlane	<u>6</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>A</u>
Bob Kimmitt			
NSC Secretariat			
Situation Room			

I = Information    **A = Action**    R = Retain    D = Dispatch    N = No further Action

cc: VP Meese Baker Deaver Other \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS

Should be seen by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date/Time)



1423

National Security Council  
The White House

RECEIVED  
64 OCT 31 P 6: 07

System # 1

Package # 8150  
*alps*

	SEQUENCE TO	HAS SEEN	DISPOSITION
Paul Thompson	<u>1</u>	<u>✓</u>	
Bob Kimmitt	<u>2</u>	<u>K</u>	
John Poindexter	<u>3</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>I</u>
Tom Shull	<u>4</u>		
Wilma Hall	<u>5</u>	<u>✓</u>	
Bud McFarlane	<u>6</u>	<u>✓</u>	<u>A</u>
Bob Kimmitt			
NSC Secretariat			
Situation Room			

I = Information    **A = Action**    R = Retain    D = Dispatch    N = No further Action

cc: VP Meese Baker Deaver Other \_\_\_\_\_

COMMENTS

Should be seen by: \_\_\_\_\_

(Date/Time)



NSC/S PROFILE

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ID 8408150

UNCLASSIFIED UPON REMOVAL  
OF CLASSIFIED ENCLOSURE(S)

AB 9/10/14

RECEIVED 31 OCT 84 19

TO MCFARLANE

FROM MAHLEY

DOCDATE 31 OCT 84

KEYWORDS: NATO

AM

ABSHIRE, DAVID M

SUBJECT: OFFICE VISIT BY AMB ABSHIRE

ACTION: FOR DECISION

DUE: 04 NOV 84 STATUS X FILES WH

FOR ACTION

FOR CONCURRENCE

FOR INFO

MCFARLANE

COMMENTS

REF#

LOG

NSCIFID

( DW CT )

ACTION OFFICER (S)	ASSIGNED	ACTION REQUIRED	DUE	COPIES TO
	C NOV 05 1984	Mcfarlane approved both		MA

DISPATCH

W/ATTCH FILE WH (CT)





# U.S. National Archives & Records Administration

## Current Status Details for CTRH RECID: 303577 MAIN SUBCODE: IT067

Current Status	None
User Name	dbarrie
Status Date	2014-07-18
Case Number	S697
Notes	Transferred to IT093

[Change Status](#)

[Close Window](#)

## Review Status History

No.	Status	Date	User	Case Number	Notes
1	None	2014-07-18	dbarrie	S697	Transferred to IT093



~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

C. F.

1621

MEMORANDUM

303577

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

IT067

CONFIDENTIAL

108

CD001-05  
FG006-01

ACTION

February 28, 1985

FG006-12

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM: DONALD A. MAHLEY *DM*

SUBJECT: Request for Appointment with Laurence Legere

Dr. Laurence Legere, the Defense Advisor to the US Ambassador to NATO and the senior US Defense Department civilian in Europe (SecDefRepEur) will be in Washington during the week of March 11-15 for consultations. He has requested a 30-minute meeting with you.

Dr. Legere, who has been the Defense Advisor at the US Mission to NATO for over 10 years, is the most knowledgeable senior US official on European defense matters. He returns to Washington frequently for consultations, and normally does not request appointments with the NSC above myself. He has personally asked for this appointment, although he was unwilling to discuss a topic over the open phone. I strongly recommend accommodating his request for a meeting if your schedule permits, and I will be happy to contact Dr. Legere via secure phone to determine the subject if you so desire.

Ron *Bob for Re* Lehman and Bob *Bob* Linhard concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve a meeting with Dr. Legere for 30 minutes on the afternoon of March 13, between 2:30 and 4:00 p.m.

Approve \_\_\_\_\_

Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_

Approve, but for alternate time \_\_\_\_\_

DECLASSIFIED  
Date 8/11/00, as amended  
BY NARS DATE 5/16/14

*I would like to meet with him now. But my schedule does not allow for that. I will check dates.*

CONFIDENTIAL

Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

NSC #8501621

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

1621

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

ACTION

February 28, 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR ROBERT C. McFARLANE

FROM: DONALD A. MAHLEY *DM*

SUBJECT: Request for Appointment with Laurence Legere

Dr. Laurence Legere, the Defense Advisor to the US Ambassador to NATO and the senior US Defense Department civilian in Europe (SecDefRepEur) will be in Washington during the week of March 11-15 for consultations. He has requested a 30-minute meeting with you.

Dr. Legere, who has been the Defense Advisor at the US Mission to NATO for over 10 years, is the most knowledgeable senior US official on European defense matters. He returns to Washington frequently for consultations, and normally does not request appointments with the NSC above myself. He has personally asked for this appointment, although he was unwilling to discuss a topic over the open phone. I strongly recommend accommodating his request for a meeting if your schedule permits, and I will be happy to contact Dr. Legere via secure phone to determine the subject if you so desire.

Ron *Lehman* and Bob *Linhard* concur.

RECOMMENDATION

That you approve a meeting with Dr. Legere for 30 minutes on the afternoon of March 13, between 2:30 and 4:00 p.m.

Approve \_\_\_\_\_ Disapprove \_\_\_\_\_  
Approve, but for alternate time \_\_\_\_\_

DECLASSIFIED  
Exempt from automatic declassification  
Authority: Executive Order 13526, 68 FR 52959, 8/17/03  
DATE: 5/6/14  
BY: *db*

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
Declassify on: OADR

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~



National Security Council  
The White House

System # J

Package # 1621

RECEIVED  
FEB 29 9:35

1612

	SEQUENCE TO	HAS SEEN	DISPOSITION
Bob Pearson	<u>1</u>	<u>P</u>	
Bob Kimmitt	<u>2</u>	<u>K</u>	
John Poindexter			
Paul Thompson	<u>3</u>	<u>J</u>	
Wilma Hall	<u>4</u>		
Bud McFarlane	<u>5</u>		<u>A</u>
Bob Kimmitt <i>WRP</i>	<u>6</u>	<u>P</u>	
NSC Secretariat	<u>-</u>		
Situation Room			
<i>Mahley</i>	<u>7</u>		<i>further action</i>

I = Information    A = Action    R = Retain    D = Dispatch    N = No further Action

cc: VP Meese Regan Deaver Other Wilma *LS*

COMMENTS                      Should be seen by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date/Time)

85 FEB 29 AM: 18

COMMENT

2000

CC: LB 10544

1-10-1985

21st Street

1200

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000

1000



RECEIVED 01 MAR 85 14

TO MCFARLANE

FROM MAHLEY

DOCDATE 28 FEB 85

KEYWORDS: NATO DEFENSE

EUROPE WEST

LEGERE, L

AM

SUBJECT. APPT REQUEST W/ MCFARLANE FOR LEGERE RE EUROPEAN DEFENSE 11 - 15 MAR

ACTION FOR DECISION

DUE. 04 MAR 85 STATUS X FILES WH

FOR ACTION

FOR CONCURRENCE

FOR INFO

MCFARLANE

COMMENTS

REF#

LOG

NSCIFID

( DR (C.T.) )

ACTION OFFICER (S)	ASSIGNED	ACTION REQUIRED	DUE	COPIES TO
	1 MAR 1985	Mcfarlone disapproved		
Mahley	5	1 MAR 1985 further action		
NSC/S	1	Further Action -- 3/12/85 slr		
	C	3/12 NEAR per Mahley		(18)

DISPATCH

W/ATTCH FILE WA (C) (18)



# U.S. National Archives & Records Administration

## Current Status Details for CTRH RECID: 433892 MAIN SUBCODE: IT086-27

Current Status	Open
User Name	dbarrie
Status Date	2014-07-18
Case Number	F02-074
Notes	Transferred to IT093

[Change Status](#)

[Close Window](#)

## Review Status History

No.	Status	Date	User	Case Number	Notes
1	Open	2014-07-18	dbarrie	F02-074	Transferred to IT093
2	Open	2007-07-12	swilliams	F02-074	



The President's name 8/4

433892  
1150

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
LONDON, ENGLAND

IT086-27

PR005-02

X  
CHARLES H. PRICE II  
AMBASSADOR

July 23, 1986

*No Reply*

TR

The President  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I had occasion last night to be visiting with Peter Carrington, Secretary General of NATO. Carol and I have become good friends with Peter and Iona over the past few years and they were at Winfield House for the dinner in honor of Nancy. During the course of our conversation, Peter expressed his concern over who will become David Abshire's successor as our Permanent Representative to NATO. Dave has certainly done an outstanding job and his shoes will be hard to fill.

Peter inquired as to whether or not I thought that there was any possibility that Bud McFarlane would be appointed to this position. I responded that I was unable to answer the question, but that by anyone's measurement I felt Bud would be an outstanding selection. In discussing this later with David Abshire, he wholly concurred that Bud would indeed be excellent. David emphasized, and I agreed, that there are several highly important qualities that Bud would bring to this position. He has a very solid foundation in foreign policy, is intimately acquainted with arms control and the inherent political-military implications, and has well established Congressional connections on both sides of the aisle.

It is my understanding that one of the reasons Bud left his position as National Security Advisor was to take advantage of opportunities in the private sector which would enable him to enhance his financial capabilities. I am told that his wife, Johnnie, may have some distinct reservations about Bud's reentering government service for this very reason.

Re possibility of Robert McFarlane being appointed  
as our Permanent Representative to NATO.



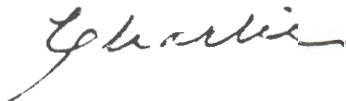
Page Two  
The President  
July 23, 1986

On the other hand, the financial disadvantages imposed by government service would to some extent be off-set by the fact that he would be provided excellent quarters properly staffed and the availability of representational funding. Furthermore, the likely length of his additional service would not be such as to deprive him of returning to the public sector within two and one-half or three years. Should you agree that Bud would be an excellent choice, I believe your personal intervention would be accepted by him as compelling.

Obviously I do not know of other candidates that you may be considering, but for the reasons stated above, I hope you will give thought to this suggestion.

Mr. President, I hope you will not regard this letter as presumptuous on my part. It is offered with my greatest respect and good wishes always. It was wonderful having Nancy with us and Carol joins in sending our love.

Sincerely,



CHP/mr





# U.S. National Archives & Records Administration

## Current Status Details for CTRH RECID: 443426 MAIN SUBCODE: IT067

Current Status	None
User Name	dbarrie
Status Date	2014-07-18
Case Number	
Notes	Transferred to IT093

[Change Status](#)

[Close Window](#)

## Review Status History

<u>No.</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>User</u>	<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1	None	2014-07-18	dbarrie		Transferred to IT093

#43426

IT 067

PE002-01

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

12/22

TO: Will / Bob / Dennis

FROM: DONALD T. REGAN  
CHIEF OF STAFF

Mack will take  
this job, but asks  
if something else  
w.e. cabinet, or  
navy, army, air force  
secty comes up before  
he goes overseas he  
would like to be con-  
sidered

Pls. check State, etc  
re this job  
DJK

Mack Mattingly

TALKING POINTS FOR PHONE CALL TO SENATOR MATTINGLY

- Mack, I wish that my schedule today was such that we could sit down and talk. But I thought I'd call you instead since it is very hectic today.
- Will Ball has relayed to me your conversations.
- I appreciate your willingness to serve in the Administration; the President would be well served by one of your ability.
- Of course, there are no Cabinet-level positions open at the present time, and I'm in no position to make any commitment on that score at all about future openings.
- But there is a key position at NATO headquarters -- that of Assistant Secretary General -- a job held by former Congressman Robin Beard of Tennessee.
- Beard's successor has not yet been named, and if you are interested, we'll see what can be done right away. (We must nominate person to Carrington -- handled like U.N. appointments administratively).



BB

2/25 OK pin chaw  
44350155  
1130  
IT093  
PE002-01  
FO002-01  
FG011

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

February 25, 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR RON GEISLER

FROM: ROBERT H. TUTTLE *RT/aw*

SUBJECT: PAS Nomination

The President approved the nomination of the following individual:

ALTON G. KEEL, JR., of Virginia, to be the United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, vice David M. Abshire.

All necessary clearances have been completed.

Please prepare the nomination papers.

Announced: 12/16/86  
To Secretary of the Senate: 2/25/87

Report for the Committee on Foreign Relations  
filed in A Files

NOTED  
dwt



To DC - 2/25/87  
11:30 am

AW  
To DHS ~~AA~~ - 2/24/87  
1:15 pm

UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE  
FOR MANAGEMENT  
WASHINGTON

February 24, 1987

~~LIMITED OFFICIAL USE~~

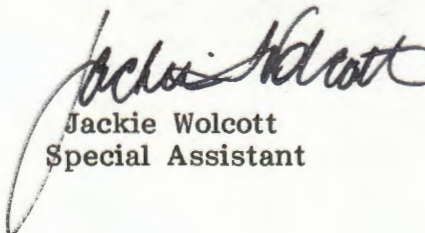
MEMORANDUM FOR THE HONORABLE ROBERT HOLMES TUTTLE  
THE WHITE HOUSE

Subject: Nomination of Alton G. Keel, Jr., as the  
United States Permanent Representative  
on the Council of the North Atlantic  
Treaty Organization

Transmitted herewith is a Memorandum for the President transmitting the nomination of Alton G. Keel, Jr., of Virginia, to be the United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. He would succeed David M. Abshire, whose resignation was sent to the White House on January 30, 1987.

Approval for this nomination was received in December, 1986. White House announcement of this appointment was December 18, 1986.

Attached also is the report you will wish to forward to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee regarding demonstrated competence of this nominee.

  
Jackie Wolcott  
Special Assistant

Attachments:  
As stated.

~~LIMITED OFFICIAL USE~~



DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

February 24, 1987

~~LIMITED OFFICIAL USE~~

dlb 9/10/14

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: John C. Whitehead, <sup>Jan</sup> Acting  
SUBJECT: Nomination of Alton G. Keel, Jr., as the  
United States Permanent Representative  
on the Council of the North Atlantic  
Treaty Organization

There is attached for your approval the nomination of Alton G. Keel, Jr., of Virginia, to be the United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. He would succeed David M. Abshire, whose resignation was sent to you on January 30, 1987.

This appointment would be made pursuant to Article 9 of the North Atlantic Treaty, signed at Washington, April 4, 1949, and Public Law 665, 83rd Congress.

Mr. Keel has been accorded security clearance based upon a full field investigation by the Department's Office of Security. All questions relating to potential conflict of interest have been resolved.

Attachments:

1. Nomination.
2. Biographic sketch.

~~LIMITED OFFICIAL USE~~



**THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR PERSONNEL ACTION**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Disapproved
(Signature and Date) <i>[Signature]</i>	2/10/87

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** DEPUTY ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT FOR  
MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

**THROUGH:** WHITE HOUSE PERSONNEL OFFICE  
ROOM 6, OEOB

**FROM:** Marc Brazil, Director of Personnel 2/6/87  
(Department Head-Name and Signature) Date

ACTION ON (Ms., Miss., Mrs., Mr.): <u>Alton G. Keel, Jr.</u>		
REPORTING TO:	ROOM:	EXT.:
EFFECTIVE DATE: <u>2/19/87</u> <u>2/7/87</u> <u>2/1/87</u>	ENDING DATE: <u>LAST PAY ON W.H. PAYROLL</u>	JUSTIFICATION FOR ACTION: <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant permanent slot replaces: <input type="checkbox"/> Other
All actions for new temporary personnel must have ending dates.		

COMPLETE PART A FOR NEW PERSONNEL OR PART B FOR EXISTING PERSONNEL

PART A — NEW PERSONNEL		
APPT. IN WHO	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent full-time <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time (regular schedule per weekdays and hours): _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary full-time <input type="checkbox"/> Intermittent (WAE)
<input type="checkbox"/> DETAILEE	<input type="checkbox"/> OGS (from agency)	
<input type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTEER.	<input type="checkbox"/> Hours per week ( )	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSULTANT (SBA) Maximum workdays:
POSITION TITLE:		
GRADE AND SALARY	<input type="checkbox"/> GS Grade _____ Step _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Unclassified
	SALARY: \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Per annum <input type="checkbox"/> Per week <input type="checkbox"/> Per day <input type="checkbox"/> Per hour
	<input type="checkbox"/> Entitled to receive overtime of \$ _____ PA	<input type="checkbox"/> Not entitled to receive overtime
		Total salary \$ _____ PA

PART B — EXISTING PERSONNEL					
MONTARY CHANGES: <input type="checkbox"/> Promotion <input type="checkbox"/> Reassignment to: _____					
OTHER ACTIONS: <input type="checkbox"/> Pay adjustment <input type="checkbox"/> Change in title <input type="checkbox"/> Make permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Extend not exceed: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Change to full-time <input type="checkbox"/> Change to part-time <input type="checkbox"/> Change to intermittent (WAE) Other: <u>Termination-App't. in Department of State</u>					
FROM	GRADE <input type="checkbox"/> GS _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Uncl.	SALARY	OVERTIME	TOTAL	TITLE
TO	GRADE <input type="checkbox"/> GS _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Uncl.				

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE WHITE HOUSE PERSONNEL OFFICE		
CS AUTH: <input type="checkbox"/> 3 USC 105, 11/2/78	<input type="checkbox"/> Presidential (Commission)	Approved Copy to Security (date) _____
PAYROLL: <input type="checkbox"/> S&E	<input type="checkbox"/> S&E (SA)	
ORGANIZATION CODE:	M.C.:	CLASSIFICATION:



KEEL, ALTON G., JR.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate-Release

July 15, 1986

The President today announced the appointment of Dr. Alton G. Keel, Jr., formerly Associate Director (National Security and International Affairs) of the Office of Management and Budget, to the staff of the National Security Council where he will serve as the Acting Principal Deputy to the National Security Adviser. Dr. Keel will serve during the absence of Donald R. Fortier.

Dr. Keel is currently completing his recent assignment as Executive Director of the Presidential Commission on the Space Shuttle Challenger Accident, which he began on February 10, 1986. Prior to his appointment as Associate Director of OMB in September 1982, Dr. Keel served as Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research, Development and Logistics, beginning in August 1981. He also served as Senior Professional Staff on the Senate Armed Services Committee from 1978-1981. He initially joined the Senate Staff as a Congressional Science Fellow in 1976, and, previously, he performed weapons research at the Naval Surface Weapons Center, White Oak, Maryland.

He graduated from the University of Virginia (B.S. 1966 and Ph.D., 1970), and he was a Postdoctoral Scholar at the University of California at Berkeley (1971). Dr. Keel is married, has one child and was born in Hampton, Virginia.

###

8/29/86

Dang:

David Chew will advise us re a comm for Alton Keel.

Ron

ALTON G. KEEL, JR.

Position for which considered: U.S. Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

Recent Position: Acting Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

Office Address: The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Born: September 8, 1943, Newport News, Virginia

Legal Residence: Arlington, Virginia

Marital Status: Married

Family: Wife: former Franmarie Theresa Kennedy  
Children: Kristen Ann

Home Address: 1200 N. Nash Street, #851  
Arlington, Virginia 22209

Education: B.S. 1966, University of Virginia  
Ph.D. 1970, University of Virginia

Experience:

Non-Government

1962-65 (Summers), Engineering Assistant, Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, Newport News, Virginia  
1966-68 (Summers), Graduate Research Assistant, University of Virginia, Charlottesville  
1967-69 Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Virginia, Charlottesville  
1969-70 Senior Scientist, Research Laboratories for Engineering Sciences, University of Virginia, Charlottesville  
1970-71 Postdoctoral Scholar, Division of Aerospace Sciences, University of California, Berkeley

Government

1971-76 Research Aerospace Engineer; Manager, Hypervelocity Research Tunnel, Naval Surface Weapons Center, White Oak Laboratory, Silver Spring, Maryland  
1976-77 Scientific Staff Assistant to the Associate Technical Director, Naval Surface Weapons Center, White Oak Laboratory, Silver Spring, Maryland  
1977-79 Defense and Technical Adviser, Tactical Air Power Subcommittee, Senate Armed Services Committee, Office of Senator Howard W. Cannon; United States Senate



1979-80 Professional Staff Member, Senate Armed Services Committee, U.S. Senate  
1980-81 Senior Professional Staff Member, Senate Armed Services Committee, U.S. Senate  
1981-82 Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research, Development and Acquisition, Department of Defense  
1982-86 Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, The White House  
2/86-8/86 Executive Director, Presidential Commission on the Space Shuttle Challenger Accident, Office of the President  
9/86-11/86 Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, The White House  
11/86-present Acting Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, The White House

Awards:

Air Force Office of Scientific Research, National Research Council Post Doctoral Research Award, 1970  
Navy Sustained Superior Performance Award, 1972  
National Congressional Science Fellow, 1977  
Outstanding Young Scientist in the Washington, D.C. area, 1978  
Air Force Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service, 1982

Publications:

Numerous technical publications and presentations.

January 1987

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary  
(Santa Barbara, California)

---

For Immediate Release

August 24, 1986

Donald R. Fortier, Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, died Saturday night at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington. Mr. Fortier had been ill since May of this year. He was 39.

Mr. Fortier was appointed Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs in December, 1983. Prior to assuming that position, he served successively at the National Security Council as Director of Western European and NATO Affairs and Special Assistant to the President for Political-Military Affairs. Mr. Fortier joined the Administration in 1981 as Deputy Director for Policy Planning at the Department of State. In November of 1982 he was awarded the Department's Superior Honor Award for his contribution to U.S. foreign policy. Before joining the Executive Branch, he served as a senior adviser to the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives and as a national security consultant to the RAND Corporation. Mr. Fortier did his graduate work at the University of Chicago from 1971-1975, where he also served as the Executive Administrator of the Ford Foundation's Symposium on "The Role of the Expert in a Democracy." He received his undergraduate degree from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and his M.A. in Political Science and International Relations at the University of Chicago, where he held a Ford Foundation Scholarship.

Mr. Fortier was born in Ohio on January 9, 1947. He lived in Chevy Chase, Maryland with his wife, Alison, and son, Graham.

\* \* \*



THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary  
(Santa Barbara, California)

---

For Immediate Release

August 24, 1986

STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT

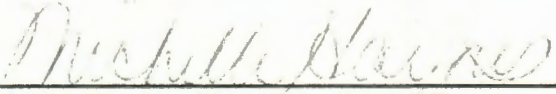
Don Fortier's death is a great loss to my Administration and the United States. Don had worked tirelessly and brilliantly in developing our national security policy. His creativity in the search for lasting peace throughout the world contributed significantly to our progress toward that goal. Nancy and I extend our heartfelt condolences to Don's wife, Alison, and his son, Graham. May God bless them.

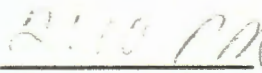
# # #

February 25, 1987

Received from the White House a sealed envelope said to contain a nominations from the President for the following-named persons:

Alton G. Keel, Jr., of Virginia  
Lt. Gen. Marc C. Reynolds, USAF  
Maj. Gen. Charles McCausland, USAF

  
SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

  
Time received

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

---

For Immediate Release

December 18, 1986

The President today announced his intention to nominate Dr. Alton G. Keel, Jr. to be the U.S. Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, with the rank and status of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. He would succeed David M. Abshire.

Dr. Keel is currently serving as the Acting Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. In July of this year, Dr. Keel was appointed to the staff of the National Security Council where he served as Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and as Acting Principal Deputy to the National Security Adviser. From February to July of this year, he served as Executive Director of the Presidential Commission on the Space Shuttle Challenger Accident. Prior to his appointment as Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget in September of 1982, Dr. Keel served as Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research, Development, and Logistics, beginning in August of 1981. He also served on the senior professional staff of the Senate Armed Services Committee, 1978-1981. Dr. Keel initially joined the Senate staff as a congressional science fellow in 1976, and previously, he performed weapons research at the Naval Surface Weapons Center in White Oak, Maryland.

He graduated from the University of Virginia (B.S., 1966 and Ph.D., 1970) and he was a postdoctoral scholar at the University of California at Berkeley (1971). Dr. Keel is married, has one child, and was born in Hampton, Virginia.

# # #



REPORT FOR THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS  
UNITED STATES SENATE

C.F.  
44350155  
IT093

SUBJECT: Ambassadorial Nomination: Certification of  
Demonstrated Competence (Foreign Service Act,  
Section 304 (a) (4))

POST: United States Permanent Representative on the  
Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization

CANDIDATE: Alton G. Keel, Jr.

Dr. Alton G. Keel, 44, of Virginia, is presently a consultant to the Administration, having served as Acting Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs since November 1986. Dr. Keel was appointed Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs in July 1986. Previous to that, Dr. Keel served as the Executive Director of the Presidential Commission on the Space Shuttle Challenger accident from February to August 1986. From September 1982 until February 1986, he served as Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs in the Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget. Previous to his OMB experience, Dr. Keel was appointed by the President and confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research, Development and Logistics in August 1981. In April 1978, Dr. Keel accepted a position as Professional Staff member for the Senate Armed Services Committee, and in January, 1980 became Senior Professional Staff for tactical warfare, conventional force preparedness and assessment of the Five-Year Defense Plan. From 1977 to 1980, Dr. Keel, as a Congressional Science Fellow, served as a defense and technical adviser to the Tactical Air Power Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee. Beginning in October 1976, he served as the Scientific Staff Assistant to the Associate Technical Director at the Naval Surface Weapons Center. From 1972 to 1976, Dr. Keel was manager of the Center's Hypervelocity Research Facility, having started his career there in September 1971. Dr. Keel received a Bachelor of Aerospace Engineering from the University of Virginia in 1966 and a Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering Physics degree in 1970. In 1970 he was one of 14 national recipients of the Air Force Office of Scientific Research, National Research Council Post Doctoral Research Award and attended the University of California at Berkeley from 1970 to 1971 as a Post Doctoral Scholar. Dr. Keel is uniquely qualified for the demands of this post. In consideration of his technical background and his expertise in handling national defense and foreign policy issues, he will serve our country well as the United States Permanent Representative on the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

---

Under Section 604 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, and the provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974, the information above should be treated as confidential and not released to unauthorized parties.

---





# U.S. National Archives & Records Administration

## Current Status Details for CTRH RECID: 464510 MAIN SUBCODE: IT067

Current Status	None
User Name	dbarrie
Status Date	2014-07-18
Case Number	
Notes	Transferred to IT093

[Change Status](#)

[Close Window](#)

## Review Status History

<u>No.</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>User</u>	<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Notes</u>
1	None	2014-07-18	dbarrie		Transferred to IT093

EF

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20506



464510

IT067

1766 PE002.01

PRO14.08

FG006-12

March 11, 1987 87 MAR 12 P6:10

MEMORANDUM FOR DAVID CHEW

FROM: GRANT S. GREEN

SUBJECT: Presidential Statement on Dr. Keel

We are hoping to have the President host Al Keel's swearing-in ceremony as Ambassador to NATO tomorrow. Following the ceremony, we would like the White House to issue the attached statement which is designed to underline the President's personal support and interest in NATO.

Comments

Attachment  
Tab A Proposed White House Statement

cc: Marlin Fitzwater  
Dan Howard

NSC 8701766

TAB A



DRAFT WHITE HOUSE PRESS STATEMENT

The President today witnessed the administering of the oath of office to Dr. Alton G. Keel, Jr. as United States Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The ceremony in the Oval Office was attended by the Vice President ~~and~~ Secretaries Shultz and Weinberger, <sup>and Frank Carlucci</sup> as well as other dignitaries. The event followed the Senate's confirmation of Ambassador Keel's nomination by unanimous consent on Wednesday, *March 11.*

The bipartisan support for the appointment of this distinguished public servant, symbolized by his sponsorship at confirmation by Senators Sam Nunn and John Warner, underscores the firm commitment of the United States to the security of the Atlantic community. The Alliance remains the cornerstone of U.S. international security policy, and Ambassador Keel's appointment comes at an important moment of opportunity. Improved prospects for progress in the NST talks in Geneva, particularly in the area of intermediate range nuclear forces in Europe, confirm the success of NATO's policy of dialogue with the East backed up by a strong and vigilant defense. In the Brussels Declaration, issued last December, NATO launched an ambitious initiative for reducing the threat of conventional war in Europe. But critical work remains to be done, both in bolstering NATO's defense capability and in devising the policies needed to produce arms control agreements that materially reduce the risk of conflict. The President, with

his appointment of Ambassador Keel, is committed to strengthening the already intense consultations and coordination which characterize U.S. relations with our NATO allies in Europe and Canada.

Ambassador Keel brings a unique background in international security issues to this task. Born on September 8, 1943 in Newport News, Virginia, Ambassador Keel received a Doctor of Philosophy and Bachelor of Aerospace Engineering degrees from the University of Virginia in 1970 and 1966, respectively. Following six years of weapons systems research at the Naval Surface Weapons Center (1971-76), he became a professional staff member of the Senate Armed Service Committee where he served for four years.

In 1981, Ambassador Keel was appointed by the President as the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Research, Development and Logistics, a position which he held until September 1982 when he was named Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs in the Office of Management and Budget. In this position, he was OMB's principal representative at Cabinet and Senior Staff meetings on international and national security issues. From February through August, 1986, he served as the Executive Director of the Presidential Commission on the Space Shuttle Challenger Accident, whose report and investigation have been uniformly acclaimed.

On July 15, 1986 the President announced his appointment as Acting Deputy Assistant for National Security Affairs, a position he assumed in September 1986. Subsequently, the President appointed him Acting Assistant for National Security Affairs on November 24, 1986, in which capacity he served until January 2, 1987. The President announced his intention to nominate Dr. Keel as Ambassador to NATO on December 18, 1986.

Ambassador Keel is married to Dr. Franmarie Kennedy-Keel, currently Chief of Staff of the Under Secretary of Education. He has a daughter, Kristen Ann, age 20.

Ambassador Keel is expected to arrive at NATO Headquarters in Brussels to assume his duties within the next week.