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The President today announced his intention to nominate Warren Zimmermann for the rank of Ambassador in his capacity as Chief of the United States Delegation to the Vienna Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe Follow-up Meeting.

Mr. Zimmermann was a Staff Reporter for Munroe News Bureau in Washington, D.C. from 1960-1961. He began his career in the Foreign Service in 1961. From 1962-1964 he served as Consular and Political Officer in Caracas, Venezuela. In 1964 he was assigned to the Foreign Service Institute to study Serbo-Croatian. From there in 1965-1968 he served as Political Officer in Belgrade, Yugoslavia. He returned in 1968-1970 to the Bureau of Intelligence and Research as a Soviet Policy Analyst. In 1970-1973 he served as a Special Assistant to the Secretary of State in the Office of the Counselor. In 1973 he studied Russian at the Foreign Service Institute, and from there became Deputy Counselor of Embassy for Politico-Military Affairs in Moscow. In 1975-1977 he returned to the Bureau of European and Canadian Affairs where he was assigned as a Special Assistant for Policy Planning. In 1977-1980 Mr. Zimmermann was Counselor of Embassy for Political Affairs in Paris, France. In 1980-1981 he was Deputy Chairman of the U.S. Delegation to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Madrid, Spain and in 1981 became Deputy Chief of Mission at our Embassy in Moscow. From 1984-1985 Mr. Zimmermann was a Visiting Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations. In 1985 he became Deputy to the Head of the United States Delegation to the Arms Reduction Negotiations in Geneva with the personal rank of Ambassador.

Mr. Zimmermann graduated from Yale University (B.A., 1956) and Cambridge University (M.A., 1958). He served in the United States Army in 1959. His foreign languages are Russian, Serbo-Croatian, Spanish and French. Mr. Zimmerman is married, has three children and resides in Great Falls, Virginia. He was born November 16, 1934 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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