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## THE WHITE HOUSE

The President today announced his intention to nominate Richard G. Darman, of Wellesley Hills, Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce. His area of responsibility will be policy. He will succeed James Leonard Pate who has resigned and who had formally handled economic affairs. The area of economic affairs will now be handled by a Chief Economist of the Department of Commerce.

Mr. Darman has served as Principal and Director of IFC, Incorporated, a consulting firm in Washington since May, 1975.

Mr. Darman was born on May 10, 1943, in Charlotte, North Carolina. He received his B.A. degree cum laude from Harvard College in 1964. He attended the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration and received his M.B.A. in 1967. He worked on public policy analysis from 1969 to 1971 through the Harvard Center for Educational Policy at the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

In July, 1971, Mr. Darman became Deputy Assistant Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare. He was named Special Assistant to the Secretary of HEW in May, 1972, and served in that capacity until January, 1973. From January, 1973, to May, 1973, he was Assistant to the Secretary of Defense. He was named Special Assistant to the Attorney General for Policy Analysis and Planning in May, 1973, serving until November, 1973. From January, 1974, to April, 1975, he became a Fellow for the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Mr. Darman is married to the former Kathleen Emmet and they reside in McLean, Virginia.

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