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LIEUTENANT GENERAL BRENT SCOWCROFT

General Scowcroft has been Deputy Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs since April 6, 1973.

General Scowcroft was born in Ogden, Utah, on March 19, 1925. He was educated in Ogden City schools then received an appointment to the United States Military Academy, at West Point, New York, where he graduated in 1947. He received a master's degree in 1953 and a doctorate in 1967 in international relations from Columbia University; attended Lafayette College, Georgetown University School of Language and Linguistics, Armed Forces Staff College, and the National War College.

He graduated from pilot training in October, 1948, and then served in a variety of operational and administrative positions from 1948 to 1953. In July 1953 he was assigned to the Department of Social Sciences at the U. S. Military Academy, where he was appointed assistant professor of Russian history. He remained there until August, 1957, when he entered the Strategic Intelligence School in Washington, D. C.

From June, 1959, to August, 1961, General Scowcroft was assigned as Assistant Air Attache in the American Embassy, Belgrade, Yugoslavia. He then returned to the United States and entered the Armed Forces Staff College. In February, 1962, he was transferred to the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado and served as professor and Acting Head of the Political Science Department.

From September, 1964 to June, 1966, General Scowcroft was assigned to Headquarters U. S. Air Force in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Operations, and served in the Long Range Planning Division, Directorate of Doctrine, Concepts and Objectives. He next attended the National War College at Fort McNair, Washington, D. C.

General Scowcroft was assigned in July, 1968, to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs and served in the Western Hemisphere Region. In September, 1969, he was reassigned to Headquarters U. S. Air Force in the Directorate of Plans as Deputy Assistant for National Security Council Matters. In March, 1970, he joined the Organization of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and became the Special Assistant to the Director of the Joint Staff.

General Scowcroft served as Military Assistant to the President from February, 1972, until August, 1973.

He has an aeronautical rating as pilot, and his military decorations and awards include the Distinguished Service Medal (Air Force design) with one oak leaf cluster, Legion of Merit with one oak leaf cluster and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

General Scowcroft is married to the former Marian Horner. They have one daughter.

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