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Douglass C. Blaser, of Oxon Hill, Maryland, will serve as Director of the Press Advance Office. He joined the White House staff on April 13, 1976.

Born on April 26, 1942, in Logan, Utah, Mr. Blaser received his B.S. degree from Utah State University in 1965.

In 1965, Mr. Blaser joined the Allstate Insurance Company in Los Angeles, California, as Senior Operations Supervisor. He became Product Marketing Manager for Mattel Incorporated in 1968. During 1972-1973, he was Special Assistant to the Vice President, responsible for the recruitment, training and supervision of forty individuals to represent the Vice President in the planning and coordination of his domestic travel. From 1973 to 1975 he was Executive Assistant to the Director of the National Park Service.

Mr. Blaser is married to the former Linda Vance and they have three children. They reside in Oxon Hill, Maryland.

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