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The President today announced his intention to nominate William G. Bradford, of Evanston, Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Chad. He will succeed Edward S. Little who has resigned. Mr. Bradford has been an International Relations Officer with the Bureau of African Affairs since 1969.

Born on January 6, 1925, in Ottawa, Illinois, Mr. Bradford received his B.A. degree from Indiana University in 1948. He served in the United States Army from 1943 to 1946.

In 1952, Mr. Bradford joined the government as a Public Safety Officer and later a Consular Officer in Berlin. From 1955 to 1958, he was Visa Officer in Naples, prior to serving at the Department of State as a Foreign Affairs Officer from 1958 to 1960. During 1961-62, he was a Supervisory Foreign Affairs Officer and was a System Accountant. He became Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary for Administration in 1962, and then served in Saigon as an Administrative Officer and later was Counselor for Administration from 1962-64. He was assigned to Leopoldville in 1964 and became Director of the Consolidated Management Organization and in 1966 was Deputy Chief of Mission in Freetown. He attended a Senior Seminar at the Foreign Service Institute during 1968-69.

Mr. Bradford is married to the former Joanne Schwarz and they have three children. They reside in McLean, Virginia.

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