DECEMBER 20, 1976

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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has accepted the resignation of Leonard K. Firestone as Ambassador to Belgium effective upon a date to be determined. He was appointed on April 25, 1974.

There is no successor to announce at this time.

The President has accepted the resignation of Robert E. Hughes as an Assistant Director of the National Science Foundation effective December 31, 1976. He was appointed on December 19, 1974. He is returning to Cornell University as a Professor for the spring term.

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There is no successor to announce at this time.

The President has accepted the resignation of Ronald T. Knight as United States Sttorney for the Middle District of Georgia effective December 31, 1976. He was appointed on March 24, 1975, for a term of four years.

There is no successor to announce at this time.

The President has accepted the resignation of Fred Charles Ikle as Director of the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, effective January 19, 1977. He was appointed July 10, 1973.

There is no successor to announce at this time.

The President has accepted the resignation of John F. Lehman, Jr., as Deputy Director of the United States Arms Control and Disarmament Agency effective January 20, 1977. He was appointed on April 16, 1975.

There is no successor to announce at this time.

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The President has accepted the resignation of Herbert P. Sorg as Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, effective December 20, 1976. He was appointed on August 1, 1955.

There is no successor to announce at this time.