

Nomination for Posts at the Departments of Health and Human Services and Education

March 5, 1993

The President today announced his intention to nominate Bruce Vladeck to be Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration at the Department of Health and Human Services and Norma Cantu to be Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights at the Department of Education.

"I am very pleased to make these nominations today to two extremely important positions," said

the President. "Bruce Vladeck and Norma Cantu are highly talented individuals with unique qualifications for the leadership roles that I have asked them to take."

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Nomination for Posts at the Department of State

March 5, 1993

The President today expressed his intention to nominate Douglas Bennet, the president and CEO of National Public Radio, to be the Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs; Eric James Boswell to be the Director of the Office of Foreign Missions; and Conrad Harper to be the State Department's Legal Adviser.

"These three positions are essential to the smooth workings of State Department operations," said the President. "Douglas Bennet, Eric James Boswell, and Conrad Harper will fill them with talent, dedication, and the steady hands that are needed to get the job done."

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The President's Radio Address

March 6, 1993

Good morning. We've come a long way together in the last few weeks. You've had the opportunity to look over my plan to give America a new direction. And from what I've heard all across the country, you like what you see, not because you agree with all of the details but because you know that this program is a fundamental departure from business as usual in Washington. It makes dramatic reductions in deficit spending, over 150 specific cuts in domestic programs, and asks a contribution from every American based on his or her ability to pay, all to get the deficit down.

I've challenged the critics of our plan to help me find more spending cuts that reduce the deficit for real, not the kind of gimmicks and not the delays of tough choices we've seen in

the past. Previously, when Washington has talked about cutting the deficit tomorrow, it was a tomorrow that never comes. We're going to change that. But perhaps the biggest change we're offering is a national investment strategy to create jobs and grow our economy. Every investment we make is paid for, dollar for dollar, by spending cuts in existing programs. Every investment is designed to make us smarter, safer, and more secure, now and in the long term. These investments embraced old-fashioned ideas like education and work and self-reliance, but they meet the challenges of the new economy with an arsenal of new ideas.

But we begin by making an ironclad commitment to the safety and well-being of our families: First, to immunize every American against