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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Date: February 9, 1979

*T. Adams*

MEMORANDUM

FOR ACTION:

Tim Kraft  
Arnie Miller

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(attached)*

FOR INFORMATION:

*2/22  
Arnie - no to DOT*

FROM: Rick Hutcheson, Staff Secretary

SUBJECT: Brock Adams memo Asst. Sec. for DOT, Policy and International Affairs

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE STAFF SECRETARY BY:

TIME: 9 am

DAY: TUES

DATE: 2/13/79

ACTION REQUESTED:

Your comments

Other:

STAFF RESPONSE:

I concur.

No comment.

*Please note other comments below:*

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THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

FEB 8 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend the appointment of Dr. John J. Fearnside as the Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Policy and International Affairs to succeed Mr. Chester Davenport whose resignation is effective on February 15, 1979.

The position of Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Policy and International Affairs requires a unique combination of skills and experience. To be effective, the person in this position must possess top managerial skills, sound political judgment, experience in a wide variety of transportation issues, the ability to evaluate complex analytical work, and the ability to conduct effective international research agreements. In addition, the person must have a facility for maintaining easy access to the top officials of the Department including my Deputy and myself. Dr. Fearnside has these abilities and a wealth of experience. He is thoroughly familiar with the Department and its processes.

Dr. Fearnside has been in the Department for more than six years and has been enormously helpful in advising me on decisions relating to complex automotive, aviation and pipeline issues. In helping develop my reorganization of the Office of the Secretary and in working with my Deputy, Alan Butchman, to improve the management processes of the Department his work has been exemplary. As my Science Advisor, he has been our liaison with Dr. Frank Press' Office of Science and Technology Policy.

As a result of our reorganization a new Departmental entity, the Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), was formed and I prevailed upon Dr. Fearnside to serve as the Acting Administrator until a nominee could be identified. In this capacity he guided the development of all operational, regulatory, research and administrative processes for the RSPA while serving simultaneously as the Executive Assistant

to the Deputy Secretary. His performance was such that we considered nominating him for the RSPA position but preferred to retain his valuable service to us as a direct staff advisor. We thereupon asked him to serve as the Deputy Under Secretary. A more detailed resume of Dr. Fearnside's experience is attached for your information.



It is essential that our Policy Office continue to have sound managerial leadership. I am convinced that Dr. Fearnside will provide that. We recently asked Dr. Fearnside to chair the interagency task force and to deliver options on rail and truck regulatory reform to you by December 15. It was done. Stu Eizenstat and his staff are well aware of this difficult and important effort. There are several other transportation policy issues that must be considered in the near future, and it will take someone with Dr. Fearnside's knowledge of the issues and the institutions to do this critical work.

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We have another key vacancy in our Office of Policy and International Affairs for a position at the Deputy Assistant Secretary level. This was created by the recent departure of Mr. Raymond Young. We will work closely with the Office of Presidential Personnel to find highly qualified minority and women candidates for this post.

Your approval of the appointment of Dr. Fearnside is hereby requested.

Respectfully,



Brock Adams

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DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY

FEARNSIDES, JOHN J.

APPOINTED: July 5, 1978

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: Non-Career Executive

PAY CATEGORY: GS-18

DOB: May 28, 1934

SCD: 11-15-69



BIOGRAPHICAL SUMMARY

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 oppose this nomination - hope  
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 (or send it back) till we can  
 work something out -

TK



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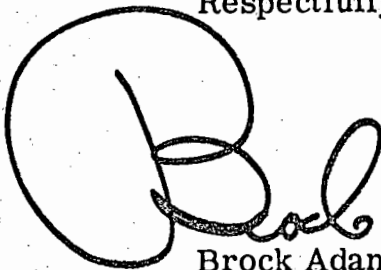
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