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Opening Statement of Senator Chuck Grassley
Chairman, Committee on Finance
Nomination Hearing
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Today, we consider the President's nominations of Mr. Robert Nichols to be Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs at the Department of Treasury and Ms. Teresa Ressel to be Assistant Secretary for Management and CFO, also at the Department of Treasury.

Mr. Nichols has spent his career in press relations, having served as a press aide on Capitol Hill and has been at Treasury as a member of the present administration.

Ms. Ressel brings a good background of management in the private sector to her current position at Treasury where she has been Deputy Assistant Secretary for Management as well as Acting Assistant Secretary for Management and CFO.

I congratulate you on your nominations and welcome you here today.