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NOMINATIONS

Wednesday, June 22, 1977.

United States Senate,
Committee on Finance,
Washington, D. C.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 10:04 a.m.,
in Room 2221, Dirksen Senate Office Building, the Honorable
Herman E. Talmadge presiding.

Present: Senators Talmadge, Byrd, Hathaway, Moynihan,
and Packwood.

Senator Talmadge (presiding). The committee will please
come to order.

The Chairman is engaged on the Senate Floor and has
asked me to preside until he can get here. A substantial
number of Senators have indicated that they will be present
here this morning, but some of them tend not to be as
punctual as those who are here at the present time. So,
I presume that, without objection, we can get started.

The first item on the agenda is Mr. Alan William
Wolff, to be a Deputy Special Representative for Trade
Negotiations.

Mr. Wolff, do you have any statement that you want to
make at this time?

(The biographical sketch of Alan William Wolff follows:)

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1 STATEMENT OF MR. ALAN WILLIAM WOLFF, TO BE A
2 DEPUTY SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR TRADE NEGOTIATIONS.

3 Mr. Wolff. No, I do not, Senator. I would be happy
4 to answer any questions which you may have.

5 Senator Talmadge. I have read your summary and I have
6 had the privilege of visiting with you. You paid me the
7 courtesy of coming by the office. You seem to be well qualified
8 for the position to which you have been nominated, Mr. Wolff.

9 I do want to indicate my interest in the extension
10 of the Multifiber Agreement on textiles.

11 Will you be handling those negotiations yourself?

12 Mr. Wolff. Not personally, Mr. Chairman, but it will
13 be part of my responsibilities to oversee the issuance of
14 proper instructions.

15 Senator Talmadge. Are you familiar with the fact that
16 the President pledged last year to extend those Multifiber
17 Agreements?

18 Mr. Wolff. That is right.

19 Senator Talmadge. Will you work towards that objective
20 with all your skill and expertise?

21 Mr. Wolff. Absolutely, sir.

22 Senator Hathaway. Get them down to a 3 percent increase.

23 (General laughter.)

24 Senator Talmadge. Are there any other questions.

25 (No response.)

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Senator Hathaway. Mr. Chairman, I move the nomination.

Senator Talmadge. Is there any objection?

(No response.)

Senator Talmadge. Without objection, that is agreed to.

The next item on our agenda is Mr. Stuart Evan Seigel, to be an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury, Chief Counsel for the International Revenue Service.

The committee has Mr. Seigel's background, biography, and experience sheet before it. Mr. Seigel likewise paid me the courtesy of dropping by for a visit. He seems to be well-qualified for his appointment.

Is there any statement which you want to make, Mr. Seigel?

(The biographical sketch of Stuart E. Seigel follows:)



1 STATEMENT OF MR. STUART EVAN SEIGEL, TO BE AN
2 ASSISTANT GENERAL COUNSEL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE
3 TREASURY, CHIEF COUNSEL FOR THE INTERNAL REVENUE
4 SERVICE.

5 Mr. Seigel. No, Senator, I have no particular statement
6 to make.

7 Senator Talmadge. Are there any questions from the
8 committee?

9 Senator Moynihan. Mr. Chairman, I would just like to
10 welcome this second distinguished New Yorker to come before
11 this committee this morning. As I said to you earlier
12 this morning, I think we need the work.

13 Mr. Seigel. Thank you very much, Senator, for your
14 kind words.

15 Senator Talmadge. You come well recommended, Mr.
16 Seigel. I presume after the experience of Watergate and
17 other things that you believe in the political integrity
18 of the Internal Revenue Service and that you will resist
19 at all times any effort to politicize its activity. Is
20 that correct?

21 Mr. Seigel. You may be assured of that, Senator.

22 Senator Talmadge. Is there any objection to advising
23 and consenting to the nomination of Mr. Seigel to be
24 Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

25 (No response.)

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1 Senator Talmadge. Without objection, this nomination
2 is confirmed.

3 (Whereupon, at 10:09 a.m., having concluded with the
4 business of nominations, the Committee went into Executive
5 Session for the consideration of other business.)
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