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### PATRICIA R. HARRIS IS SWORN IN AS UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO LUXEMBOURG

Patricia Roberts Harris, of Washington, D.C., was sworn in today as United States Ambassador to Luxembourg. Formerly an Assistant Professor of Law at Howard University in Washington, she succeeds Ambassador William R. Rivkin.

Born in Mattoon, Illinois, Mrs. Harris received an A.B. degree from Howard University in 1945. Following post-graduate study at the University of Chicago (1945-47) and at the American University in 1949, she earned the Juris Doctor degree from the George Washington University Law School in 1960 (first in class, and recipient of the John Bell Iarner Prize). Other honors and awards have included the Order of the Coif, by George Washington University Law School, and associate editorship of the GWU Law Review.

Between 1960-61, Mrs. Harris was an attorney at the Department of Justice, Appeals and Research Section, Criminal Division, in Washington. Mrs. Harris joined the Howard faculty in September, 1963. In 1964, she was appointed by President Johnson as a member of the commission created by Congress to study the political future of Puerto Rico. Mrs. Harris is married to Mr. William Beasley Harris, a Washington attorney.

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