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Mr. G. Griffith Johnson was sworn in today as Assistant Secretary of State for Economic Affairs. He succeeds Edwin M. Martin, now Assistant Secretary of State for Inter-American Affairs.

Born in New York City on August 15, 1912, Mr. Johnson was graduated from Harvard in 1934. He received his MA (1936) and his PhD (1938) in economics from the same university.

In 1936 Mr. Johnson began his government service with the U.S. Treasury Department. Subsequently he served with the National Defense Advisory Commission, the Office of Price Administration, the National Security Resources Board, the Bureau of the Budget and the Economic Stabilization Agency. He also has been a Consulting Economist for Nathan Associates. Since 1952 he has been Vice President of the Motion Picture Association of America and the Motion Picture Export Association, where he has been primarily engaged in dealing with the widespread foreign problems of the film industry.

Mr. Johnson is married to the former Janet Clementson Young. They have two children, Carol Lynne and Gove Griffith III. The Johnsons live in Darien, Connecticut.

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