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The Secretary of State today announced his intention to appoint Rear Admiral Jonathan T. Howe the Director of the Department of State Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs.

Since April 1981, Rear Admiral Howe has served as the Senior Military Assistant to the Deputy Secretary of Defense. He began his career with the U.S. Navy in 1958 assigned to the USS Bremerton.

From 1969 to 1973, Rear Admiral Howe was a member of the National Security Council staff, serving as Military Assistant to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs. In 1974 he commanded the USS Berkeley (DDG-15). Returning to Washington in 1975, he was Assistant to the Vice President for National Security Affairs and Military Assistant for two years. During 1977 and 1978, Admiral Howe commanded Destroyer Squadron THIRTY-ONE. In January 1979 he became Chief of Staff to Commander SEVENTH Fleet. He was selected for flag rank in January 1980.

Rear Admiral Howe graduated with distinction from the U. S. Naval Academy in 1957, receiving a bachelor of Science degree. During two years of postgraduate work from 1967-1969, he earned M.A., M.A.L.D., and PH.D degrees from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, and wrote the book: Multicrisis: Seapower and Global Politics in the Middle Age.

Rear Admiral Howe has been awarded the Legion of Merit (two awards), the Navy Distinguished Service Medal, and the Defense Distinguished Service Medal. He is married to the former Harriet Edith Mangrum and they have six children. He was born on August 24, 1935.