

# Johnson Names Roche To Replace Goldman

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John P. Roche, a liberal academician and vocal defender of President Johnson within the intellectual community, was appointed yesterday as a special White House consultant.

As Roche came in, the former intellectual-in-residence, Eric Goldman, was going out with his reputation as informed insider scarred by the skillful scalpel of Press Secretary Bill D. Moyers.

Roche, chairman of the Brandeis University Depart-

ment of Politics, will become a full-time consultant to the President "on a variety of items," Moyers announced.

## Planning a Book

He will not be a direct replacement for Goldman, Moyers said, but will be a generalist working on matters ranging from foreign policy to domestic issues.

Goldman, who was retained in 1964 as the chief link between the President and the academic community, resigned last month, discouraged in his attempts to draw them together. Goldman plans to publish a book dealing in part

with his experience in the White House.

Moyers at first had no comment on Goldman's book-writing plans, but then pointedly told reporters that the professor had not personally talked with the President more than a dozen times in his two and a half years at the White House.

Goldman, remarked Moyers, really had worked primarily with Mrs. Johnson and her press secretary, Liz Carpenter.

## Distrust Denied

"That of course doesn't speak to his qualifications as a historian or a writer," Moyers added.

Ranging over the President's relations with academics, Moyers categorically denied that the President distrusted and disliked the intellectual community, particularly those professors in the Eastern Ivy League colleges.

The President is aware, he said, that some professors support him and some oppose him. "You can't consider the academic community a union," he said.

Roche is a witty, cigar-smoking professor who has broken with many of his academic colleagues in supporting President Johnson and, to a certain extent, in approving the war in Vietnam. Large segments of the intellectual community are publicly opposed to the war.

## Criticized Liberals

In a magazine article a year ago, Roche criticized those liberal intellectuals who he said had an unreasoning distrust of the President despite his success in civil rights and other domestic fields.

"If Johnson achieved world disarmament tomorrow, proclaiming that swords should be beaten into plowshares, someone would surely say he did it on behalf of the Texas plowshare manufacturers,"



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Brandeis Hillquit Chair of Labor and Social Thought at Brandeis, will be retained by the White House on a daily consultant's fee. He recently went to South Vietnam at Mr. Johnson's request to advise the military regime on constitutional development.

Roche wrote.

A former national chairman of the liberal Americans for Democratic Action, he has differed with that group's opposition to the Administration's course in Vietnam.

## Opposed Bombing

However, Roche is also on record as opposing the U.S. escalation in that war, including the bombing of North Vietnam.

In another article, Roche wrote that continued bombing of North Vietnam could bring the U.S. into a full-scale war that would not even involve the country, Roche described as the main enemy in Asia—Red China.

Roche, who holds the Mor-