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# Ambassador Bruce Will Leave His NATO Post

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Senior American diplomat David K. Bruce, 77, will leave his post as U.S. ambassador to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and retire from the foreign service at the end of January, his spokesman announced here yesterday.

According to the brief statement, press reports that Bruce was resigning because of disagreement with President Ford over the reported offer of his post to William Colby, director of the Central Intelligence Agency, are "utterly inaccurate."

Bruce had agreed to take the NATO post in December, 1974, the

announcement said, on the condition he would leave within a year or at the latest Feb. 12, 1976, his 78th birthday.

Bruce said in the statement that he "has always received the greatest consideration from the President, the secretary of state and the secretary of defense."

*New York Times*

## Guns Stolen

Caribou, Me.

Thirty-six guns, worth more than \$2500, were stolen in a trading post burglary Sunday.

*United Press*



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DAVID K. BRUCE  
Friction with Ford denied