

## Ambassador at Large

# Nixon's New Job for Bunker

### Washington

Ellsworth Bunker, veteran diplomat who presided over U.S. activities in Saigon during the height of the Vietnam war, was nominated by President Nixon yesterday to be an ambassador at large.

Mr. Nixon also nominated Bunker's wife, Carol C. Laise, to be assistant secre-

tary of state for public affairs, a position that has been vacant since 1971. Miss Laise, who retains her maiden name, formerly was U.S. ambassador to Nepal.

The 79-year-old Bunker, ambassador to South Vietnam from 1967 until early this year, will be "undertaking such assignments as the President and Secretary of State feel his experience

and expertise is needed to handle," deputy White House Press Secretary Gerald L. Warren said.

Bunker, with broad experience in Latin American before going to Asia, has been reported as a likely candidate to handle U.S. negotiations with Panama over the Panama canal.

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