

General to Succeed Haig on NSC Staff

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President Nixon has selected one of the military's leading experts on global politics to become Henry A. Kissinger's top assistant on a reorganized National Security Council staff.

Sources said yesterday that Air Force Brig. Gen. Brent Scowcroft, now Mr. Nixon's military assistant, will succeed Gen. Alexander M. Haig Jr. as No. 2 man on the NSC staff.

Haig, who has played a major role in the Vietnam peace negotiations, moved to the Pentagon last week to become the Army's deputy chief of staff.

Officials indicated that Scowcroft's role could differ from Haig's because of the planned reorganization of the NSC staff for Mr. Nixon's second term.

Kissinger, busy with Vietnam peace efforts, is yet to complete work on the reorganization of the council which supplies Mr. Nixon with foreign policy options.

Scowcroft, 47, came to the White House in February to head the staff of presidential military aides.

A pilot and graduate of West Point, he holds master's and doctorate degrees in international relations from Columbia University, and has attended the National War College and the Georgetown University School of Linguistics.

He once served as an assistant professor of Russian history at West Point, later was acting head of the Air Force Academy's political science department, and served two



GEN. BRENT SCOWCROFT
... heads military aides

years as assistant air attache at the U.S. embassy in Belgrade.