

Brennan Armed in White House

Washington

Secretary of Labor Peter J. Brennan carries a side-arm when he goes to the White House, press secretary Ronald L. Ziegler said yesterday.

Normally, even state police officers accompanying governors are required to leave their guns at the door.

Brennan, who has equipped himself with a weapon and hired a corps of bodyguards, recently was sworn in as a deputy U.S. marshal, which gives him authority to carry his gun across state lines.

Asked if Brennan brings the weapon with him when he goes to the White House, Ziegler said, "It is my understanding that he does."

He said he did not know whether Brennan carried the gun into meetings with President Nixon.

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