AF General

New Chairman Of Joint Chiefs

Washington

President Nixon yesterday named Air Force General George S. Brown to be chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the nation's highest military post.

Brown, who has been Air Force chief of staff since August, 1973, will succeed Admiral Thomas Moorer, who has served two terms as Joint Chiefs chairman.

The White House said General David C. Jones, commander of U.S. air forces in Europe, will succeed Brown as Air Force chief of staff.

Both nominations are subject to Senate confirmation.

As White House spokesman Gerald L. Warren was announcing the nominations, Mr. Nixon was meeting with the two generals in his Oval Office.

As they posed for photognaphers before the bank of flags, the President told Brown, "We'll see a lot of you."

"I look forward to it," Brown responded.

Brown, 55, a native of Montclair, N.J., will be the first Air Force general to head the military chiefs since 1960.

For two years, from August, 1968 to August, 1970, he directed the U.S. air war in Southeast Asia and then returned to become chief of the Air Force Systems Command, where he supervised new aircraft, missile and other advanced developments,

A graduate of West Point,



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GENERAL BROWN He raided Romania

Brown gained fame during the historic World War II bombing of the oil refineries at Ploesti, Romania, where he took command of the lead attack elements after the commander was shot down. For that exploit, he won the Distinguished Service Cross.

Jones, 53, entered the service out of college in World War II. He is a native of Aberdeen, S.D.

During his career, Jones has held a series of key Air Force staff positions in the Pentagon and a number of commands in Europe, Asia and the United States.

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