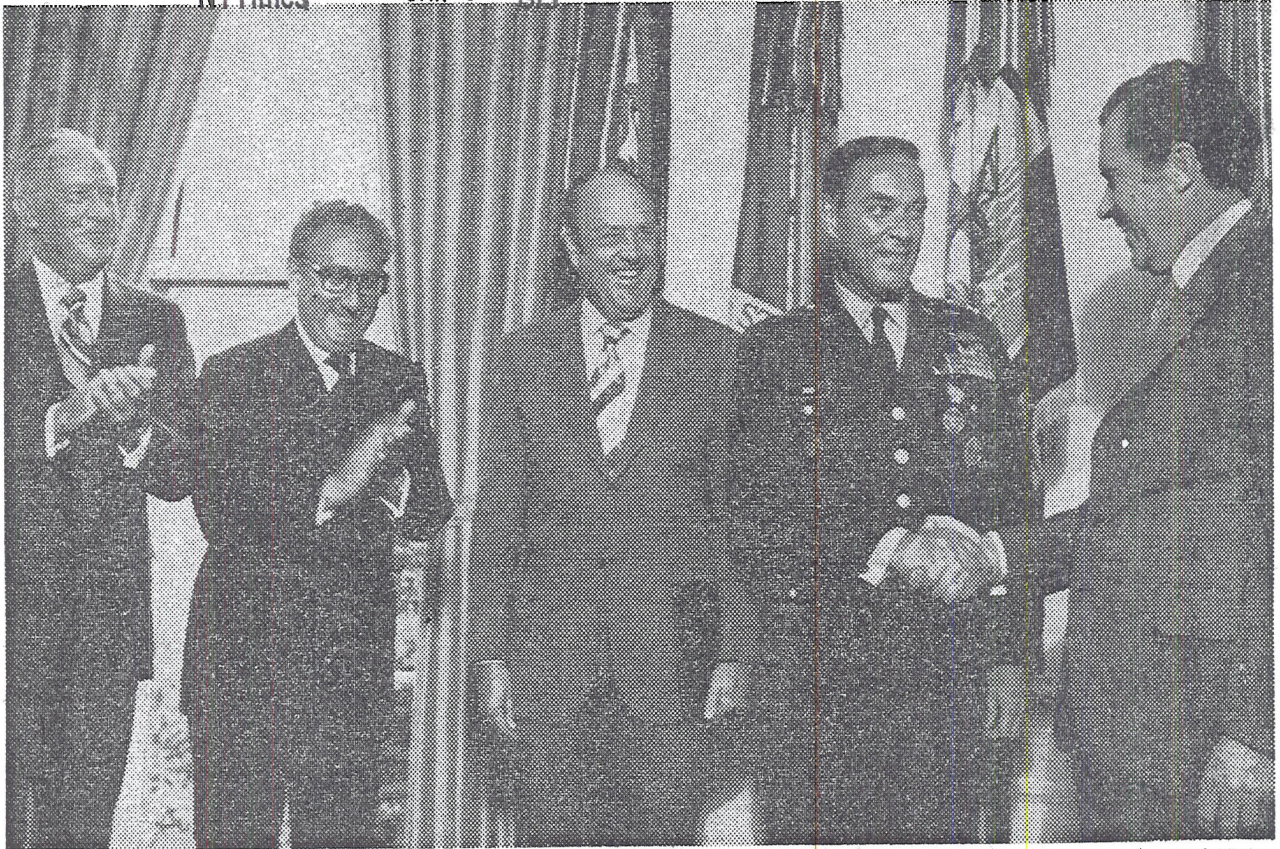


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PRESIDENT HONORS GENERAL: Mr. Nixon congratulates Gen. Alexander M. Haig Jr. after pinning the Distinguished Service Medal on the new Army Vice Chief of Staff. There was laughter as Mr. Nixon said, after dropping the medal, "I'm going to get this thing on if it takes all day." Others, from left: William P. Rogers, Henry Kissinger and Melvin R. Laird. General Haig had been deputy to Mr. Kissinger, peace negotiator.