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# Ford Nominee for No. 2 C.I.A. Post

## Enno Henry Knoche

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Washington, April 22—Despite the view of some novelists and movie makers, the fact is that most of the people who work for the Central Intelligence Agency have never fired a poison dart

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gun, parachuted into the darkness over Albania or plotted the kidnapping of a Chilean general.

Their lives, except for the secrecy under which they must toil, seem to differ little from the lives of thousands of other Government workers in Washington.

Enno Henry Knoche, the man President Ford nominated today to become Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, is part of that majority—a career intelligence officer who has never been involved in clandestine field operations.

If Mr. Knoche (the first letter is silent, the name rhymes with rocky) is approved by the Senate, he will succeed Lieut. Gen. Vernon W. Walters, a deputy director who attained far more fame than normally goes with the job.

### Not Widely Known

General Walters achieved his prominence largely because the White House, under President Nixon, sought his help in first trying to cover up the Watergate break-in. The general was asked to forestall a Federal Bureau of Investigation inquiry by asserting that it might interrupt a C.I.A. operation.

General Walters did make the appeal, although he refused to make it in writing.

Mr. Knoche is not widely known. In the agency he has a reputation for quiet efficiency and little thirst for publicity. He declined to be interviewed before his nomination hearings, and one friend said that he would probably be even "less outspoken" afterward.

A key part of the deputy director's duties under President Ford's reorganization of the intelligence community

will be to run the day-to-day operations of the C.I.A., while the Director of Intelligence heads the entire community. Mr. Knoche was chosen, several officials said, because of his "excellent track record," as one put it, as an administrator.

Mr. Knoche grew up in the C.I.A.'s intelligence directorate, the section that analyzes and organizes the vast amounts of data collected by the C.I.A. and its sister agencies. He joined the C.I.A. in 1953 and for nearly a decade was an analyst specializing in political and military affairs.

He directed the national photographic interpretation center, which analyzes the photographs from American spy satellites, and also headed the foreign broadcast information service, which prepares reports based on radio and television broadcasts monitored abroad. But it was only in the last year that he came into his own, according to several associates.

The former director of the agency, William E. Colby, appointed Mr. Knoche as liaison with the President's commission to investigate the C.I.A. and commissioned officials remember him as a steady, reasonable man who preferred compromise to confrontation.

"He is, you know, an extremely soft-spoken, well-organized man," said David Berlin, the commission's counsel. "I came to feel he was more sensitive to the rights of American citizens than were others at C.I.A. He was definitely a C.I.A. man, but something, maybe the influence of his kids, made him

more sensitive to what was happening in the country."

In the late 1960's, Mr. Knoche served as deputy to Col. Lawrence K. White, then executive director of the C.I.A.

Colonel White, now retired, said that he found it no surprise that Mr. Knoche had been nominated for the \$40,000-a-year deputy post. Pointing out that George Bush, the director, was new to the agency, he said that Mr. Knoche would have the confidence of the employees, because he was a career officer.

### Was Naval Officer

Mr. Knoche, who uses the initial E, instead of his first name and is known to friends as Hank, was born in Charleston, W. Va., on Jan. 14, 1925; played varsity basketball for the University of Colorado (he is 6 feet 4 inches tall), earned his degree from Washington and Jefferson College in Pennsylvania and served as a naval officer in World War II and Korea.

Mr. Knoche keeps a close eye on his weight and jogs to keep in shape when not playing tennis. Weight watching is necessary for him because his wife, the former Angie Papoulas, is regarded by friends as a gourmet cook.

The couple live with their five children in Fairfax, Va., a few miles from C.I.A. headquarters at McLean.

The C.I.A. would not permit photographs to be taken of Mr. Knoche, but a spokesman said that the agency would try to release tomorrow one made by its photographers.