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#### WASHINGTON

Meeting on Sept. 10th 4 PM Room 132 OEOB to introduce new Deputy Administrator of Veterans Affairs - Charles Timothy Hagel - coming with him will be Robert Nimmo and staff asst. Fielding Cochran

Organizations to invite - list came from Nick's office at VA:

American Legion AMVETS Blinded Veterans Catholic War Veterans Congressional Medal of Honor D.A.V. Jewish War Veterans Military Order of the Purple Heart National Assoc. of State Directors National Black Veterans National League of Families of POW/MIA's P.V.A. Spanish War Veterans V.F.W. Veterans of World War I Vietnam Veterans of America

Other veterans organizations we have talked to and/or have been invited to previous WH briefings/ meetings:

Air Force Association Air Force Sergeants Association American Gold Star Mothers

Army and Navy Union, USA
Association of U.S. Army
Fleet Reserve Association
Legion of Valor
Marine Corps League
Military Order of the World Wars
National Association of Uniformed Services
Naval Reserve

Naval Reserve :
Non - Commissioned Officers
Reserve Officers Association
Retired Officers Association
Vietnam Veterans Foundation
Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund
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# **News Release**

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

A combat wounded Vietnam veteran, Charles Timothy Hagel, has been chosen by President Ronald Reagan to be deputy administrator of veterans affairs. He will join VA Administrator Robert P. Nimmo in leading the government's third largest agency.

Hagel, 34 years old, most recently served as the deputy commissioner general of the 1982 World's Fair.

A native of North Platte, Neb., Hagel holds a degree from the Brown Institute of Radio and Television in Minneapolis and a bachelor of science from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Hagel volunteered for U.S. Army service in Vietnam where he was wounded twice while serving in the 9th Infantry Division. His awards include the American Spirit Honor Medal, the Purple Heart with one oak leaf cluster, the Combat Infantry Badge, and the Army Commendation Medal.

At one time, Hagel was a reporter for radio stations in Omaha and Lincoln and from 1971-77 he was an administrative assistant to U.S. Representative John Y. McCollister (R-Neb.).

From 1977-81, Hagel was manager for government affairs for the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Washington, D.C. He was active also in President Reagan's campaign, and he served as vice chairman of the Presidential Inaugural Committee.

As VA's deputy administrator, Hagel will assist

Administrator Nimmo in carrying out the far-flung responsibilities

of the agency which serves some 30 million living veterans through

172 medical centers, 226 outpatient clinics, 96 nursing home care

units and 58 regional offices, plus a number of satellite and

special purpose facilities.

VA also operates the National Cemetery System.

President Reagan's VA budget authority request for fiscal year 1982 would provide \$24.8 billion for VA programs, \$1.7 billion more than was spent in the current fiscal year.

The budget provides \$12.8 billion in compensation and pension payments to veterans and eligible survivors and \$7.2 billion to operate the nation's largest medical system.

Another VA program, GI Bill education, has helped educate some 18 million veterans during its 37-year life span.

No date has been set for Senate confirmation hearings on Hagel's appointment.

Single, Hagel resides in Alexandria, Va., and is a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

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## REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENTS

To: Officer-in-charge
Appointments Center
Room 060, OEOB

Please admit the following appointments on Thursday, Sept. 10 19 81

for Morton Blackwell of Office of Public Liaison

[NAME OF PERSON TO BE VISITED]

[AGENCY]

Lyngh, Robert
Kraja, Mylio
Ashworth, Robert
Brinsky, Gabriel B.
Russell, Donald
Long, Will
Williams, Raymond J.
Hartnett, Norman B. — L. A.
Stone, Harris B.
Gallant, Richard
Anderson, A. Leo
Jones, Frederick
Griffiths, Ann
Powell, R. Jack
Juarbe, Fred — Henzey, Dorothy
Terzano, John

Nimmo, Robert, Hagel, Charles Timothy Cochran, Fielding

### MEETING LOCATION

Building OEOB Requested by Blackwell

Room No. 132 x. 2657

Room No. 132 Telephone Sept. 10, 1981

Time of Meeting Date of request

Additions and/or changes made by telephone should be limited to three (3) names or less.

APPOINTMENTS CENTER: SIG/DEOB - 395 6046 or WHITE HOUSE - 456-6742

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introduces Charles (Chuek)
Hagel-Mr. Hagel makes remails-Then go award wom + have all Vet. 9p. leaders introduce themselves. Then 2/A to Hagel-Do not let conversations/questions

get bogged clerer into personnewhich, etc. -

#### THE WHITE HOUSE

## Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

BUT A COMMENT

September 4, 1981

The President today announced his intention to nominate Charles Timothy Hagel to be Deputy Administrator of Veteran's Affairs.

Mr. Hagel is presently serving as Deputy Commissioner General of the 1982 World's Fair (Energy Expo '82) to be held in Knoxville, Tennessee. In 1977-81 he was Manager, Government Affairs Office, Firestone Tire and Rubber Company, in Washington, D.C. In 1971-77 he was Administrative Assistant to U.S. Representative John Y. McCollister (R-Nebraska).

Mr. Hagel served in the U.S. Army for two years when he won the American Spirit Honor Medal. While with the Ninth Infantry Division in South Vietnam in 1968, he was awarded the Purple Heart with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Combat Infantry Badge, and Army Commendation Medal. He is a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mr. Hagel graduated from Brown Institute for Radio and Television in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He then graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha (B.S.). He was born October 4, 1946, in North Platte, Nebraska. He currently resides in Washington, D.C.