

WARD BARMON

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Born in Huntington, New York; Raised in Peru and the Far East
Yale University; University of Madrid; Georgetown University
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State Department - Congressional Relations	1969-1970
William Macomber	
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State Department - East Asian Affairs - Staff Assistant	1970-1971
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Secretary of State William Rogers	
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State Department - Foreign Service Institute - Chinese Language Student	1971-1972
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State Department - Foreign Service Institute - Economic Studies	1977
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Department - Oceans, Environment, and Nuclear Safeguards Office (OES) Israel bombs Iraqi reactor Israeli interests IAEA Soviet activities Iraqi imports of equipment South Africa James Malone 	1980-1983
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> San Salvador, El Salvador - Economic/Commercial Counselor Civil insurgency Environment Ambassador Pickering Duarte “Tandem” assignments Commercial activity Congressional visits U.S. media Steve Solarz visits “Freddie” Christiani Safehouses raided FMLN Local driver infiltration 	1983-1985
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State Department - ARA - Commercial/Economic/Political Officer 	1985-1988

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Foreign Service spouse