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NEW UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR TO OECD

- Ambassador Alan P. Larson has taken up his post as United States Representative to the OECD, succeeding Denis Lamb.
- Born in Iowa in 1949, Ambassador Larson has an M.A. and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Iowa.
- Prior to his present appointment he served in the State Department's top career position dealing with international economic policy. Ambassador Larson previously served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy and Resources Policy, where he negotiated stronger international arrangements for energy security as leader of the US Delegation to the International Energy Agency. Earlier he held other positions dealing with energy and wrote a doctoral dissertation on Western energy security.
- Previously in his State Department career Ambassador Larson served as Counsellor for Economic and Commercial Affairs at the US embassy in Jamaica, after working in the economic sections of the embassies in Zaire and Sierra Leone.
- Ambassador Larson is married, with three children.

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