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The New York Times:Clinton Reported to Have Chosen Madeleine Albright as Secretary of State; Sen. WilliamCohen as Defense SecretaryPresident Clinton on Thursday chose U.N. ambassador Madeleine Albright to be the firstfemale secretary of state and Republican Sen. William Cohen to be his defense secretary,administration officials said.A senior White House official, speaking to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity, alsosaid Clinton had decided to name Tony Lake, his national security adviser, to be the new CIAdirector. Sandy Berger, Lake's deputy, will replace him. An official said Albright was offered the jobby Clinton in a telephone call Thursday, Reuters reported. The appointments of Albright, Cohen andLake would be subject to Senate confirmation; Berger's would not.Secretary of State Warren Christopher and Defense Secretary William Perry are resigning. Thedecision leaves the future of CIA director John Deutch in doubt. He had been a candidate fordefense secretary and is still mentioned as a possibility to replace Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary.Though the appointments of Lake and Berger amount to a second-term reshuffling, the nominationsof Albright and Cohen are trailblazing choices.Albright, whose family fled the communist takeover of Czechoslovakia when she was 11, would be the first woman to hold America's senior diplomatic post. The selection of Cohen, the retiring Mainelawmaker, is in keeping with Clinton's promise to include Republicans in his administration.Other details about the president's new national security team:Albright, 59, is a naturalized American citizen, the daughter of a Czech diplomat whose familymoved from Czechoslovakia to the United States when she was 11. As U.N. ambassador,she has been known as a hawk on Bosnia intervention and NATO expansion.Cohen, 46, is a Republican moderate who announced earlier this year that he was retiringfrom the Senate after three terms. He rose to national prominence when he cast one of thefirst GOP votes to impeach President Nixon and later played a leading role in the Iran-Contrahearings.Lake, 57, is a reserved New Englander who has eschewed the spotlight as Clinton's nationalsecurity adviser. The author of five books on foreign policy, Lake served in the StateDepartment in both the Nixon and Carter administrations. Before joining the Clintonadministration, he had been teaching international relations at Mount Holyoke College inSouth Hadley, Mass., and raising 28 head of cattle on his farm.Berger, 51, worked in Lake's shadow as deputy national security adviser but won Clinton'srespect for his consensus building and organizational abilities. Before joining the Clintonadministration, he worked as an international trade attorney and partner at a majorWashington law firm. Like Anthony Lake, he worked in the Carter administration -- asdeputy director of the State Department's Policy Planning Staff from 1977 to 1980.

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