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## Nixon To Shake Up **Presidential Staff**

NEW YORK (AP) - Richard M. Nixon made it clear Wednesday he plans a major shakeup of the traditional White House staff system. And a top aide indicated the president-elect intends to be a more "activist" president than Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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Nixon announced through a spokesman the appointment of a second assistant to the president -H. R. "Bob" Haldeman, 42, a Los Angeles advertising executive, who will handle general administrative matters and Nixon's daily schedule.

Haldeman, a chief of staff for Nixon during the campaign, told newsmen there'll be only three or four jobs comparable to his, all of them "generalists" involved in general planning rather than details.

"We don't want specific people locked into specific boxes," Haldeman told a briefing session at the Hotel Pierre, where the Nixon camp is working out the details of the transition of power Jan. 20.

There won't be a press secretary or appointments secretary as such in the Nixon administration, he said. There was speculation, for example, that Herbert G. Klein, Nixon's communications chief during the campaign, would become an assistant to the president, with Ron Ziegler, the travel-

ing press secretary in the campaign, serving as a special assistant doing the detail work with the press.

Beneath the three or four assistants to the president, Haldeman said, there will be several special assistants assigned to specific areas of responsibility.

The staff will be smaller than in other recent administrations, Haldeman said, and will certainly be one of the youngest.

With this kind of organization, Haldeman indicated in answer to questions, the president-elect will be a more activist president than Eisenhower, whom he served as vice president.

"I think," he said, "he'll be very much in it from the begin-

ning." The preliminary planning for the White House staff was done during the campaign, Haldeman said, and the details are still being worked out. The first assistant named, on Tuesday, was Bryce N. Harlow, 52, a White House aide in the Eisenhower Administration.

"We've spent a lot of time on a review of the White House staff," Haldeman said. "We've talked to a number of people who held the posts in past and present administrations and we feel there are a lot of ways we can improve the White House staff structure."

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