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Statement from John H. Marburger, Science Advisor to the President and Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy on President Bush's announcement today to nominate Dr. Arden L. Bement, Jr. to be Director of the National Science Foundation (NSF).

"Dr. Arden Bement is an ideal candidate for the National Science Foundation Directorship. His depth of experience, long record of accomplishment and proven success as Director of NIST and Acting Director at NSF are sure indicators of future success. I look forward to a speedy confirmation and to working with Dr. Bement in furthering the science goals of the Nation."

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