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THIS WEEKEND ON C-SPAN TWO EDITIONS OF "AN AMERICAN PROFILE" HIGHLIGHT AFRICAN-AMERICANS IN PUBLIC SERVICE

Washington, D.C., February 25, 1993--On Saturday, February 27, starting at 10:30 PM (ET), two back-to-back editions of "An American Profile" will look at the lives and careers of two African-Americans dedicated to public service in the U.S. and abroad. On-air schedule is as follows:

- * 10:30-11:30 PM (ET)--"An American Profile" with Rep. Shirley Chisholm (D-NY), a former congresswoman from New York. Ms. Chisholm reminisces about her political career. She was the first black woman elected to the U.S. Congress in 1968, and the first black woman to run for president in 1972. Re-airs on Sunday, February 28, from 8:00-9:00 AM (ET).
- * 11-30 PM-12:30 AM (ET)--"An American Profile" with Edward J. Perkins, former U.S. ambassador to South Africa during the last three years of the Reagan Administration. Ambassador Perkins describes his early years in Louisiana and Oregon, his military service, and his career at the State Department since 1962. Mr. Perkins talks about his experiences as ambassador to South Africa from 1986-89, when apartheid began to be dismantled. Re-airs on Sunday, February 28, from 9:00-10:00 AM (ET).

C-SPAN's "An American Profile" is an hour-long, one-on-one conversation with the people who shape the national public debate. On selected weekends and holidays, interviews with two individuals from different political perspectives air back-to-back and in alphabetical order.

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