



Biographical Note

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WAHID TARZI APPOINTED DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL
OF UNITED NATIONS OFFICE AT GENEVA

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GENEVA, 12 July -- Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar has appointed Wahid H. Tarzi, Deputy Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva, effective 10 July.

Mr. Tarzi, a national of Afghanistan, has been Deputy to the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva and Director for External Relations and Interagency Affairs since 1982.

Mr. Tarzi holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from the University of California (Berkeley) 1952 and a Master of Arts degree in government, New York University. After a year in the Afghan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, he joined the United Nations where he held the following positions:

-- Department of Trusteeship and Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories (1954) Assistant Officer;

-- Office of Personnel, responsible for economic and social affairs (1958-1961);

-- Economic Commission for Africa (Addis Ababa), Personnel Chief (1961-1963);

-- Office of Personnel, in charge of recruitment for the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Centre for Industrial Development (1963-1965);

UNCTAD (Geneva), First Personnel Chief (1966-1967);

Deputy Chief, Recruitment Service, and Chief, Recruitment Service (New York) (1967-1975); and

-- Director, Division of Recruitment (New York) (1976-1980).

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In 1980, Mr. Tarzi was transferred to Geneva where he became the Director for External Relations and Interagency Affairs. He has been active in staff affairs and is currently President of the United Nations Staff Management Co-ordination Committee.

Mr. Tarzi is married.

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