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NEW PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF UNITED ARAB EMIRATES PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

The new Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates, Mohammad Bin Hussain Al-Shaali, presented his credentials today to Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Prior to his new appointment, Mr. Al-Shaali served, since December 1982, as Director of the Arab World Department in his Government's Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In 1984, he was Deputy Chairman of his country's delegation to the thirty-ninth session of the General Assembly. Previously he had been a delegate to the thirty-third session in 1978, as well as to the seventh and ninth emergency special sessions of the General Assembly in 1980 and 1982, respectively.

Born in Ajman in 1950, Mr. Al-Shaali was educated at Beirut University, from where he received his Bachelor of Commerce degree in 1974. He began his diplomatic career that same year in the Department of Political Affairs of the Diplomatic and Consular Service.

He subsequently served as the Chargé d'affaires of his country's embassy in Vienna in 1977, and in Tunis in 1978.

Among other posts, Mr. Al-Shaali has also served his Government as Acting Director of the Department of Political Affairs and Chief of the Arab and Gulf Affairs Division, as well as Acting Director of the Department of Administration and Finance. In addition, he headed the United Arab Emirates' delegation to the preparatory meetings on the charter of the Gulf Co-operation Council.

He is married and has three children.

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