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PIERRE VINDE APPOINTED UNDP ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR  
TO HEAD BUREAU FOR ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

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Pierre Vinde, a prominent Swedish financial and management authority, currently Senior Vice-President of Sweden's Post-och Kreditbanken, has been appointed Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Administration and Finance of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

Announcing the appointment in New York today, UNDP Administrator Bradford Morse expressed his gratitude to Sweden for making available the services of one of its most highly qualified public servants to supervise administration and finance in UNDP's global network. Mr. Vinde, he said, would join UNDP on 14 April 1980, and take up his activities as Assistant Administrator on 1 May 1980.

In his UNDP post, Mr. Vinde will have responsibility for the central Bureau that operates UNDP's administrative and logistical services, personnel operations and financial management. As the most extensive development co-operation organization in the world, UNDP has programming, co-ordination and supply offices in 110 developing countries and jointly finances with their Governments some 4,500 projects in 150 countries and territories, involving deployment of over 6,000 international specialists, and over 7,000 fellowships a year.

With the Programme providing administrative support for more than 1,400 other United Nations-system projects, the total volume of expenditure overseen by the UNDP network is more than \$1.2 billion a year. Mr. Vinde will supervise major new computer-based financial information and control systems for this global operation, and will be responsible for personnel management of its 4,000 international and local support staff and their training.

Presently the Senior Vice-President for international activities at Sweden's Post-och Kreditbanken, Mr. Vinde, 49 years old, has served as Chairman of the Central Bank of Sweden from 1974 to 1976. He was also Under-Secretary of State in the Ministry of Finance (1974-1976) culminating 15 years in that Ministry, three prior years in the Ministry of Trade, and an assistant Private Secretaryship to the Prime Minister in 1957-1958.

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Between 1959 and 1965 Mr. Vinde served on the governing boards of the Swedish Central Committee for Technical Assistance and the International Aid Agency as well as the National Audit Office and Agency for Administrative Rationalization. He was also Chairman of a Royal Commission on relocating government administration; Delegate for Sweden in the Economic Policy Committee of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD); and Alternate Governor and then Governor for Sweden at the World Bank.

Holding degrees in political science and law, Mr. Vinde is the author of books on Swedish Government and administration, and on France where he received his early education.

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