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EUGENIUSZ WYZNER APPOINTED UNDER-SECRETARY-GENERAL FOR CONFERENCE SERVICES AND SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS

Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar today announced the appointment of Eugeniusz Wyzner, a national of Poland, as Under-Secretary-General for Conference Services and Special Assignments, with effect from 16 July.

Mr. Wyzner has been Poland's Permanent Representative to the United Nations since September 1981 and his country's representative in the Security Council.

Prior to that, in 1978, he assumed the Office of the Director of the Department of International Organizations in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. During the period 1973-1978 he was his country's Permanent Representative to the Office of the United Nations and other international organizations at Geneva and also to the Committee on Disarmament.

In 1971 he was appointed Director of the Legal and Treaties Department in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was a member of the Permanent Mission of Poland to the United Nations in New York from 1961 to 1968, being his country's Deputy Permanent Representative from 1963. He previously served in various capacities in Poland's foreign service, which he joined in 1952.

Mr. Wyzner was recently unanimously elected as Chairman of the United Nations Disarmament Commission for 1982. Since 1978 he has been a member, and later Vice-Chairman, of the United Nations Advisory Board on Disarmament Studies, and since 1967 he has been Chairman of the Legal Sub-Committee of the United Nations Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space.

In 1977 Mr. Wyzner served as President of the Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Prohibition of the Emplacement of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction on the Sea-Bed and the Ocean Floor and in the Subsoil Thereof. He was Chairman of the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the Non-Proliferation Treaty Review Conference, and subsequently Chairman of the Drafting Committee of that Conference, held in 1975. Mr. Wyzner also chaired the Preparatory Committee for the Review Conference of the Parties to the Sea-Bed Treaty.

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He has served as Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee of the International Conference on Human Rights and as Chairman of the United Nations Committee on Periodic Reports on Human Rights from 1966 to 1968.

Mr. Wyzner obtained a law degree from the University of Warsaw in 1953. He was born in Chelmo on 31 October 1931.

He is married and has a son.

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