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Alan Wright, a national of the United Kingdom, has been appointed Director of the International Monetary Fund's Bureau of Language Services, succeeding Andrew J. Beith, also of the United Kingdom, who has been appointed Director of the Fund's Office in Europe.

Mr. Wright, 53, has a degree in history from Oxford University. Prior to joining the Fund, Mr. Wright worked in the Bank of England and served as Technical Assistant to the Executive Director for the United Kingdom at the Fund and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (World Bank). He joined the Fund's staff in 1966 and has worked in the Secretary's Department, European Department, and the Administration Department. He became one of the two Deputy Secretaries of the Fund in 1980.

The Bureau of Language Services provides translations into various languages--including Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Portuguese, and Spanish--at the request of the Fund's Executive Board and departments; provides simultaneous interpretation services; and assists in the preparation of Fund publications in languages other than English.

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