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NEW PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF GERMANY TO THE OECD

Ambassador Dr. Mario Graf von Matuschka has just taken up his post as German Ambassador to OECD, succeeding Dr. Klaus Meyer.

Born at Oppeln, in Silesia, in 1931, Graf Matuschka studied philosophy at Fribourg University, Switzerland, and law at the Universities of Paris and Munich, before being awarded a doctorate in law in 1960. He joined the German diplomatic service in 1961, serving at the German mission to the United Nations before becoming Vice-Consul and later Consul in Salzburg. Second Secretary at the Embassy in Islamabad from 1966 to 1968, he was First Secretary at the embassy in Tokyo (1968-1971).

From 1971 to 1975 Graf Matuschka served as Counsellor in the Far Eastern Division at the Foreign Ministry in Bonn before becoming Economic Counsellor at the Embassy in London in 1975. He returned to Bonn in 1978 before being appointed Deputy Head of Protocol in the United Nations secretariat in New York. From 1982 to 1988, he was Head of division for European and international scientific and technological co-operation at the Federal Foreign Ministry. State Secretary and Head of Protocol in the Land of Berlin from 1988 to 1990, Graf Matuschka was then appointed Head of the Directorate for international relations in a wide range of scientific, technological, nuclear and environmental questions at the foreign ministry. He held this post until his present appointment.

Graf Matuschka is married, with four children.

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