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WILLIAM B. KELLY, JR. TAKES UP GATT APPOINTMENT

Mr. William B. Kelly, Jr. of the United States, takes up his duties as a Deputy Director-General of GATT today, 2 June 1980.

He succeeds Mr. Gardner Patterson, also of the United States, who recently retired.

Mr. Kelly has had a distinguished career in the field of international trade policy in the United States Administration. His most recent post has been as Associate United States Trade Representative. Since 1967, he has also been Chairman of the Trade Policy Staff Committee in the Executive Office of the President of the United States. From 1965 to 1967 he was Senior Adviser to the United States delegation to the Kennedy Round of trade negotiations in GATT; from 1962 to 1965: Director, Trade Negotiations Staff, Office of Commercial and Financial Policy, United States Department of Commerce, and from 1961-62 and 1951-53: International Economist in the United States Department of State. He has also taught at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University and at several other universities.

Mr. Kelly, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, was born in 1926. He was educated at the University of Louisville, the University of Edinburgh, and the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University (from which he has MA and Ph.D degrees).

He is the author of a number of publications on trade policy issues.

Mr. Kelly is married, and has four children.

GATT has two Deputy Directors-General. The other is Mr. M.G. Mathur, of India.