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FOR INFORMATION

TO: All UNICEF Staff Members

FROM: James P. Grant   
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Senior Staff Appointments

I am pleased to announce the following appointments:

1. Dr. Guido Bertolaso, Deputy Executive Director, External Relations, Office of the Executive Director, New York

Dr. Bertolaso assumed his new function as Deputy Executive Director, External Relations, on 9 August 1993.

Just before joining UNICEF, Dr. Bertolaso was the Director General of the Department of Social Affairs in the Office of the Prime Minister of Italy. This Department, which he organized, coordinates the Government's efforts for the prevention of drug addiction and rehabilitation; gives assistance to the handicapped, immigrants, aged, minors and conscientious objectors; and coordinates national NGOs involved in social issues.

From 1980 to 1989, Dr. Bertolaso served in several functions with the Government of Italy, first as a health expert, then as the Director and organizer of the Italian hospital of Ta Phraya, Thailand, which operated within the framework of Italian relief efforts for displaced people on the Thai-Kampuchean border. He went on to become the head of the Health Section of the Department for Development Cooperation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs responsible for bilateral and multilateral programmes in over 60 countries in Asia, the Middle East, Africa and Latin America. In this capacity, he planned and managed the implementation of his Government's major long-term programmes, as well as the most important emergency relief efforts.

He was the Director of the first "WHO collaborating centre for emergency activities", established in 1986. He was an official adviser to the Chinese Ministry of Public Health and board member of the Yunnan Institute for "Materia Medica". He was a member of the WHO Executive Board and its representative to the World Health Assembly in 1990. Over the years, he collaborated closely with joint WHO/UNICEF programmes, the World Bank, OECD and EEC. He was founder and editor of the scientific review "Tropical Medicine in Development Cooperation" and has published in several international scientific journals, as well as popular newspapers and magazines.

In 1977, Dr. Bertolaso received his medical degree (with honours) from the School of Medicine of the "Universitat' La Sapienza". In 1979, he specialized in tropical medicine, hygiene and public health at the School of Tropical Medicine in Liverpool.

Dr. Bertolaso, a national of Italy, was born in March 1950. He is married and has two daughters.