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J. STEWART JOHNSON APPOINTED CURATOR OF DESIGN

J. Stewart Johnson has been appointed Curator of Design at The Museum of Modern Art, Arthur Drexler, Director of the Department of Architecture and Design announced today. He succeeds Emilio Ambasz who resigned in July to devote full time to his practice of architecture and design. He had been Curator since 1970.

Mr. Johnson has been Curator of Decorative Arts at three museums -- Newark, Brooklyn and, since January 1975, at the Cooper-Hewitt Museum of Design in New York, part of the Smithsonian Institution. Previous to that Mr. Johnson was a full time consultant on contemporary glass to the Corning Museum of Glass.

Mr. Johnson, who lives in New York City, was born in Baltimore, Maryland in 1925. He is a graduate of Swathmore College and received his M.A. from the University of Delaware. He has lectured and written extensively and is the author of Art Deco and Modernism, to be published by E.P. Dutton in 1977. He will join the Museum staff September 7.

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