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## C. DOUGLAS DILLON ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

C. Douglas Dillon was elected Chairman of the International Council of The Museum of Modern Art at its 13th Annual Meeting which opened at the Museum on Monday, November 10 at 10:15. Mr. Dillon succeeds Walter Dowling, former Ambassador to West Germany, who had served as Chairman since 1963.

The International Council, formed in 1953, sponsors the Museum's international exhibition exchange program and initiates such special projects as the Library Overseas Program. At the Annual Meeting, Mr. Dillon announced that this program will be extended to Latin America in the coming year, following a successful pilot project in Asia. (see separate release).

The Council consists of 150 art patrons and community leaders from this country and abroad. Since its inception it has sponsored more than 100 exhibitions in all the visual arts in more than 60 countries and has provided works of art for scores of American embassies abroad. Mrs. Donald B. Straus is President of the Council. Waldo Rasmussen is Director of the International Program.

Members will visit public and private collections in New York during their three day meeting, including the Studio Museum in Harlem and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Mr. Dillon, a former Ambassador to France and Secretary of the Treasury, is on the board of several corporations and is President of the Board of Overseers of Harvard College, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Brookings Institution and a Trustee of the Council on Foreign Relations.

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