Franz A. Skryanz has succeeded Hans van den Houten as Director of Finance of The Museum of Modern Art, it was announced today by Mr. Richard E. Oldenburg, Director of the Museum.

Mr. Skryanz joined the Museum in 1970 shortly after creation of the office of Director of Finance as assistant to Mr. van den Houten and was subsequently named Assistant Director.

Before joining The Museum of Modern Art, Mr. Skryanz had been with W. R. Grace & Co. in New York, where he was associated with the company's Natural Resources Group in the business development and investment analysis area. He holds a Masters Degree in Economics and Business Administration from the University of Vienna, Austria, and also attended the University of Valencia in Spain and Cambridge University. Mr. Skryanz is a native of Austria and had lived and worked in Argentina and Brazil for four years before becoming a resident of the United States in 1964.

Mr. van den Houten, who came to the Museum from the Chase Manhattan Bank, left the Museum to resume his banking career with the Chase as an officer in the Corporate Development Group.

Mr. van den Houten, a Dutch national resident in the United States, had served in the Royal Dutch Cavalry and worked in the Congo and South Africa for the Royal Dutch Shell Group before joining the Chase Manhattan Bank.

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