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UM'S DIPLOMAT-IN-RESIDENCE ARRIVES IN MISSOULA

MISSOULA--

The University of Montana's Diplomat-in-Residence for the 1967-68 academic year has arrived in Missoula. Eddie William Schodt, 53, formerly with the American Embassy in Tokyo, Japan, is the first Diplomat-in-Residence assigned to a Montana school.

The purpose of the Diplomat-in-Residence program which was begun in 1964, is to allow the foreign service officer to re-establish ties with the society he represents, according to Leo B. Lott, chairman of the UM political science department.

Also, the State Department hopes the office can make a contribution to the campus by meeting with faculty and student groups and by participating in seminars, Dr. Lott said.

In the past three years 20 foreign service officers have been assigned to 22 universities and colleges in 17 states.

Dr. Schodt was employed by the State Department in Washington, D.C. from 1946 to 1955. He has had assignments in Oslo, Norway; Canberra Australia, and Tokyo, Japan. The diplomat is a graduate of Valley State Teacher's College, Valley City, North Dakota. He received his master's and doctorate's degrees from the University of Colorado, Denver.

Dr. Schodt is accompanied by his wife. He will be available to meet with community groups and to visit other campuses.