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EAST ASIA AUTHORITY CHALMERS JOHNSON JOINS FACULTY OF UCSD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND PACIFIC STUDIES

Professor Chalmers Johnson, an internationally known expert on East Asia, has joined the faculty of the Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies at the University of California, San Diego.

Prior to joining the faculty of IR/PS, Johnson was the Walter and Elise Haas Professor of Asian Studies at the University of California, Berkeley. Johnson taught at Berkeley for 26 years, where he was chair of the Center for Chinese Studies and the Department of Political Science. He holds B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in economics and political science from Berkeley.

"We are just incredibly fortunate to have Johnson come here," said Peter Gourevitch, dean of IR/PS. "He is full of ideas and energy, and tremendously knowledgeable about the Pacific region. Harvard tried to get him and failed. The whole community, inside and outside the university, will benefit."

Johnson is a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and an appointed member of the Japan-United States Friendship Commission. He is also on the American Advisory Committee for the Japan Foundation and is a member of the Academic Advisory Board, East Asia Program for the Woodrow Wilson Center at the Smithsonian Institution. He has received fellowships from the Ford Foundation, the Social Science Research Council and the Guggenheim Foundation.

Johnson has written numerous books and articles on East Asian political economy, revolution and social movements. His books include "Peasant Nationalism and Communist Power," "An Instance of Treason," "Revolutionary Change," "Conspiracy at Matsukawa," "Autopsy on People's War," "Japan's Public Policy Companies" and "MITI and the Japanese Miracle."

His articles have appeared in "The Journal of Japanese Studies," "Issues and Studies," "South China Morning Post," "The Journal of Asian Studies," "Asian Survey," "USA Today," "Far Eastern Economic Review," "Foreign Affairs" and "New York Times Magazine," to name a few.

Johnson reported on the Chinese and Japanese press for 15 years for "World Press," a weekly PBS television program.

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