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has secured the agreement of the GDR writers' union and the government for a GDR "writer in residence" each year, and possibilities are in final negotiation for summer study in the GDR and for student exchange programs. For further information contact William C. Fletcher, Director of Soviet and East Euro-pean Studies, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas 66045. Telephone 913-864-4236.

Max Kurz, director and general secretary of the United States Committee for Friend-ship with the GDR, was killed March 14, 1980, in the crash of a Polish airlines jet outside Warsaw. He was enroute to an international conference of the general secretaries of GDR friendship societies at the time. Born in Berlin, Kurz fled fascist persecution in 1935, going first to Pales-tine and in 1939 to the U.S. He was a founding member of the Society to Study the GDR in 1967 and in 1974 was instrumental in establishing the U.S. Committee for Friendship with the GDR, of which he was director until his death.

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