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Professor Robert S. Leventhal has completed his term as interim editor of the GDR Bulletin. The staff wishes to thank Professor Leventhal for his dedicated service in the past year.

GDR MONOGRAPH

For many years scholars working in the field of East German studies were handicapped by a lack of information as to where other specialists in GDR research were located—a problem even among West German
specialists. Therefore the Informationsstelle für DDR-Forschung (Bundesanstalt für gesamtdeutsche Aufgaben) in Bonn began to compile and publish monographs containing information about GDR research in the FRG. To improve significantly cooperation and communication among scholars it also seemed useful to locate specialists in other countries where GDR affairs were an area of active research. In 1983 Anita M. Mallinckrodt, with support from the Ministry for Intra-German Relations in Bonn, undertook to locate scholars in English-language countries who were publishing research on the GDR. Specialists in literature and social sciences alike—chiefly in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Australia, and New Zealand—were asked to describe via questionnaire research activities and approaches. The results of Mallinckrodt's survey are now available in a monograph "Research on the GDR 'auf englisch': Researchers of East German Affairs and Their Studies in English-Language Countries." Part I: An analysis of the past and future of GDR studies/research in the countries surveyed. Part II: A presentation of the survey's statistical findings divided into disciplines and countries; also research contexts, methodologies, source materials, funding, and problems. Part III: A listing of major English-language conferences and publications dealing specifically with the GDR. Part IV: A listing of the subject matters reported by the survey respondents. Part V: Specific disciplines and countries of the researchers. Part VI: The 238 researchers who responded to the survey—position, address, biographical/academic sketch, as well as a short listing of their major publications in the last five years and their work in progress. Part VII: Additional researchers who did not respond to the questionnaire or did so too late for inclusion.

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