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AFP'S GERMAN SERVICE IS STRENGTHENING ITS COVERAGE OF THE MIDDLE EAST

AFP'S GERMAN SERVICE, BASED IN BERLIN, IS STRENGTHENING ITS COVERAGE OF THE MIDDLE EAST BY SENDING A CORRESPONDENT TO JERUSALEM. HE WILL JOIN A 19-PERSON BUREAU THAT WORKS IN FRENCH, ENGLISH AND ARABIC, PRODUCING TEXT, PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO.

The new correspondent will enable AFP GmbH to intensify its role as a first-hand supplier of international news in German.

"The events of the last few days and weeks show that the Middle East remains at the center of international news," German service editor-in-chief Daniel Jahn emphasized on this occasion. "In addition to Israel and the Palestinian territories, our correspondent will provide thorough coverage of the neighboring countries and of subjects of special interest to Germany," he added.

AFP's first German-speaking correspondent in Jerusalem will be Clemens Wortmann, former editor-in-chief of the German service and member of the GmbH management, who was replaced as the GmbH head on 1 October by M. Enno Müller, AFP Director for Germany.

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