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Professor R.B. Serjeant--University of Cambridge, retired from the Sir Thomas Adams's Chair of Arabic, December 1981. The Chair will remain vacant indefinitely. Peter Avery—Director of the Middle East Centre, University of Cambridge

- Dr. John Hopkins-University of Cambridge, retiring and not being replaced. Hubert Darke-University of Cambridge, in Persian Studies, retiring and not being replaced.
- Mrs. A. Bayraktaroglu--University of Cambridge, in Turkish Studies, has finished the statutory five years and will not be replaced.
- J.D. Latham-University of Edinburgh, first occupant of the Iraq Chair of Arabic and Islamic Studies, Chairman of the Department of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies.
- W. Montgomery Watt-University of Edinburgh, retired from the Personal Chair of Arabic, September 1979.
- L.P. Elwell-Sutton-University of Edinburgh, retiring from Department of Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies.

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