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BONN, Germany — Tom Shannon, the State Department career diplomat who was set to head the U.S. delegation at international climate talks here, will not attend, according to the State Department.

Delegations from other countries had been waiting to see what tone and direction Shannon would set at the talks for the U.S. He was to be the top politically appointed U.S. diplomat at COP23.

Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs Judith Garber will travel to Bonn on Wednesday to lead the delegation.

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