

EAST GERMAN WOMAN SWIMMER DEFECTS VIA HUNGARY

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[Summary] Stuttgart/Aachen--Another prominent GDR sportsperson has "gone West." It was officially announced today for the first time that former women's world record holder Renata Vogel-Beinrich, 24, has been in Stuttgart for about 1 week.

As Renata Vogel, she won five gold medals and one silver medal in world and European championships and in the Olympic games between 1971 and 1974. She also held the world record in the 100 meter breaststroke, setting a time of 1 minute 12.28 seconds on 1 September 1974.

Now married and known as Renata Beinrich, she escaped to the Federal Republic via Hungary last week and, after a short stay in Munich, reported to the divers' world championship committee in Stuttgart, where she is now living with relatives.

The West German Swimming Association has promised her their assistance and support.