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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, today announced the appointment of Mr. T. leM. Carter as High Commissioner for Canada in Sierra Leone. Mr. Carter, who is at present High Commissioner for Canada in Nigeria, will be concurrently accredited to the Government of Sierra Leone and will continue to reside in Lagos, Nigeria. He will visit Sierra Leone regularly and frequently. Sierra Leone will become independent on April 27, 1961. Its admission to the Commonwealth was unanimously approved during the last conference of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers.

Mr. Carter was born in Toronto in 1915, and was educated at Bishop's University and the University of London. In 1940 he joined the Canadian Army serving in the United Kingdom, Sicily and Italy. He was awarded the Military Cross. He was discharged from the army as a Captain in 1945. The same year Mr. Carter joined the Department of External Affairs and he has since served at Brussels, Rome, and Warsaw. In March 1957 he was appointed Canadian Commissioner to the International Supervisory Commission for Viet Nam and two years later attended the Imperial Defence College in the United Kingdom. On January 28, 1960 Mr. Carter was appointed High Commissioner for Canada in Nigeria.

Mr. Carter is married and has one child.