JOSEPH FRANÇOIS-XAVIER HOUDE

I'r. Houde was born in Quebec City on September 9, 1922. He was educated at the Seminaire de Quebec where he obtained his B.A. and at Laval University where he was awarded his M.A. In 1942, Mr. Houde became an assistant actuary for the Compagnie d'Assurance-Vie Industrielle, Québec. In 1949, he became the editor of l'<u>Eclaireur</u>, Beauceville, P.Q.

I'r. Houde joined the Department of External Affairs in 1949 and served in Brussels from 1952 to 1954, in Athens from 1954 to 1956 and in Paris at the Canadian Delegation to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development from 1957 to 1959. In 1961, he was appointed Charge d'Affaires and Consul in Montevideo. In 1965, he became Ambassador to Peru with a concurrent non-resident accreditation to Bolivia. He assumed his present position as Consul-General in Boston in 1970.

Mr. Houde is married and has seven children.