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His Excellency Dmitri Stepanovich Chuvahin presented today to His Excellency the Governor-General his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to Canada. The ceremony of presentation took place at Government House.

The Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Brooke Claxton, was in attendance on the Governor-General on this occasion. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. H.F. Feaver, presented the Ambassador to the Governor-General. The Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. Leonid F. Teplov, Counsellor of his Embassy. Mr. Lionel Massey, Secretary to the Governor-General, was also present.

Mr. Chuvahin was born in 1903. He is a graduate of the Moscow Institute of Oriental Studies. He has held various posts in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the U.S.S.R. From 1938 to 1942 he was a member of the Diplomatic staff of the Soviet Embassy in Washington. In 1945 he was appointed Counsellor of the Soviet Embassy in Yugoslavia, and was later appointed Minister of the U.S.S.R. in Albania, where he remained until 1952.