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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT

The Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, announces the following appointment:

Mr. Georges H. Blouin, (62) originally from Montreal, Quebec, to be Chief of Protocol.

Mr. Blouin (B.A. Collège Sainte-Marie, Montreal, LL.B. University of Montreal) joined External Affairs in 1949, and has served abroad in New Delhi, San Francisco, Athens, Brussels and as Canada's Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Cameroon with concurrent accreditation to Chad, Gabon and the Central African Republic. He then served as Minister in Washington, and in 1973 he was appointed Canada's Ambassador to Spain with concurrent accreditation to Morocco. In 1977, he was appointed Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs. Since 1979, Mr. Blouin has been Ambassador to the Netherlands. He will replace Mr. L.H. Amyot whose appointment as Ambassador to Morocco has been announced.

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