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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today the appointment of Miss B. Margaret Meagher as Canadian Ambassador to Austria. Miss Meagher is at present Canadian Ambassador to Israel and High Commissioner for Canada to Cyprus.

Miss Meagher was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia. She is a graduate of Dalhousie University and taught school in Halifax from 1932 until 1942 when she joined the Department of External Affairs. Between 1944 and 1949 she served in Washington and Mexico City; and between 1953 and 1956 in London as First Secretary and, later, as Counsellor. Miss Meagher was appointed Chargé d'Affaires in Tel Aviv in 1957 and has been Ambassador to Israel since 1958 and concurrently High Commissioner for Canada to Cyprus since April of this year.

Miss Meagher is the first woman to be appointed an Ambassador in the Canadian foreign service.