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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, announced today the appointment of Miss Blanche Margaret Meagher as Canadian Ambassador to Sweden. Miss Meagher, who is currently Canadian High Commissioner to Kenya and Uganda, will replace Mr. Arthur Andrew, whose next assignment will be announced shortly.

Miss Meagher was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, and graduated from Dalhousie University. From 1932 until 1942 she taught at a school in Halifax.

Upon joining the Department of External Affairs in 1942, Miss Meagher served abroad in Mexico, London and Tel Aviv. In 1958 she was appointed Ambassador to Israel, becoming concurrently High Commissioner to Cyprus in 1961. In 1962 Miss Meagher was made Ambassador to Austria and also served as Governor for Canada to the International Atomic Energy Agency, becoming Chairman of the Board of Governors in 1964. She began her current assignment as High Commissioner to Kenya, with concurrent accreditation to Uganda, in 1967.