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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, today announced the following appointments in the Canadian diplomatic service:

Mr. Gordon G. Crean - at present Canadian Ambassador to Yugoslavia, to be Ambassador to Italy, succeeding Mr. Jules Léger, whose appointment to Paris was announced last month. Mr. Crean's successor in Belgrade will be announced in due course.

Mr. H.F. Feaver - at present Canadian Ambassador to Switzerland and Tunisia, to be Ambassador to Mexico and Guatemala, succeeding Mr. W. Arthur Irwin, who will be retiring from the public service.

Mr. Feaver's successor in Berne and Tunis will be announced in due course.

Mr. George P. Kidd - formerly Canadian Ambassador to Cuba and Haiti (until December 1963) to be Minister (Economic) in Washington, succeeding Mr. M. Schwarzmann.

Mr. Donald W. Munro - at present serving in Ottawa, to be Canadian Commissioner to the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Laos, replacing Mr. Paul Bridle, who is returning for duty in Ottawa.

Mr. Crean was born in Toronto on April 29, 1914, and studied a Coronto and Oxford Universities. He served with the British Armed Forces from 1940-45 holding the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel at the time of his discharge. Mr. Crean joined the Department of External Affairs in November 1945 and served in Belgrade in 1950-51 and in London in 1952-53, when he returned to Ottawa. He was appointed Minister at the Canadian Embassy in Paris in 1958 and Ambassador to Yugoslavia in May 1961. Mr. Crean is married and has three children.