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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today the appointment of Mr. Donald MacAlister Cornett as Canadian High Commissioner to Ghana. When he assumes his new duties, Mr. Cornett will take up residence in Accra.

Mr. Cornett was born in Kingston, Ontario, in 1918, and graduated from Queen's University in 1947. He joined the Canadian Army in 1940, serving overseas in the United Kingdom and Northwestern Europe. He received his discharge in 1946.

In 1947 Mr. Cornett joined the Department of External Affairs and in 1948 was posted to Oslo. In 1950 he was transferred to Copenhagen where he served as Chargé d'Affaires a.i. until March, 1952.

In 1955 he again went overseas on posting to the High Commissioner's Office at Canberra, where he served as First Secretary. During the period September 1956 to April 1957, he became Acting High Commissioner. From Canberra Mr. Cornett went to Karachi, Pakistan, in 1958 as Counsellor in the Office of the High Commissioner. In 1960 he returned to the Department. At present, Mr. Cornett is head of Consular Division.

Mr. Cornett is married and has two children.