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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Don Jamieson, announces the following diplomatic appointments:

Mr. Jean-Marie Déry, 49, of Ottawa, to be Ambassador to Egypt. Mr. Déry (B.A., B.Ph. University of Ottawa) joined External Affairs in 1952 and has served abroad in Mexico, Tel Aviv, Phnom Penh and Accra. He served as Ambassador to Zaire and concurrently to Rwanda, Burundi and the People's Republic of the Congo from 1971-1974. Since 1976 he has been Director-General of the Bureau of Consular Services.

Mr. Déry replaces Jean Touchette who has been appointed Ambassador to Tunisia.

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Mr. Pierre Dumas, 57, originally from Montreal, to be Ambassador to Switzerland. Mr. Dumas (B.A. Jean-de Brébeuf College, M.F.S. Georgetown University, LL.L. University of Montreal) joined External Affairs in 1948 and has served abroad in Paris, Indochina, New York, Geneva, Belgrade, Rome, The Vatican and Bordeaux, where he was Consul-General from 1970-74. Since 1974 he has served as Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Dumas replaces Jean Côté who will be returning to headquarters in Ottawa.