

Background Notes – Department Leaders

Secretaries of State for External Affairs

Charles Murphy (1909-1911) #
William James Roche (1911-1912) #
Robert Borden (1912-1920) *
Arthur Meighen (1920-1921) *
William Lyon Mackenzie King (1921-1926) *
Arthur Meighen (1926) *
William Lyon Mackenzie King (1926-1930) *
Richard B. Bennett (1930-1935) *
William Lyon Mackenzie King (1935-1946) *
Louis S. St. Laurent (1946-1948)
Lester B. Pearson (1948-1957)
John George Diefenbaker (1957) *
Sydney Earl Smith (1957-1959)
John George Diefenbaker (1959) *
Howard Green (1959-1963)
Paul Martin (1963-1968)
Mitchell Sharp (1968-1974)
Allan J. MacEachen (1974-1976)
Donald Jamieson (1976-1979)
Flora MacDonald (1979-1980)
Mark MacGuigan (1980-1982)
Allan MacEachen (1982-1984)

Jean Chrétien (1984)

Joe Clark (1984-1991)
Barbara McDougall (1991-1993)
Perrin Beatty (1993)

Ministers of Foreign Affairs

André Ouellet (1993-1996)
Lloyd Axworthy (1996-)

Ministers of Trade and Commerce

Sir Mackenzie Bowell (1892-1894)
William B. Ives (1894-1896)
Sir Richard Cartwright (1899-1911)
Sir George Foster (1911-1921)
H.H. Stevens (1921)
James A. Robb (1921-1923)
Thomas A. Low (1923-1925)
James D. Chaplin (1926)
James Malcolm (1926-1930)
H.H. Stevens (1930-1934)
Richard B. Hanson (1934-1935)
William D. Euler (1935-1940)
James A. MacKinnon (1940-1948)
Clarence Decatur Howe (1948-1957)

Gordon Churchill (1957-1960)

George Hees (1960-1963)
Wallace McCutcheon (1963)
Mitchell Sharp (1963-1966)
Robert Winters (1966-1968)
Jean-Luc Pépin (Acting, 1968)
Charles M. Drury (1968)
Jean-Luc Pépin (1968-1969)

Ministers of Industry, Trade and Commerce

Jean-Luc Pépin (1969-1972)
Alastair Gillespie (1972-1975)
Donald Jamieson (1975-1976)
Jean Chrétien (1976-1977)
John H. Horner (1977-1979)
Robert de Cotret (1979-1980)
Herb Gray (1980-1981)

Ministers of State for International Trade

Ed Lumley (1981-1982)
Gerald Regan (1982-1983)

(# denotes Secretary of State for Canada; * denotes Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs)