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General Teodoro Ruiz Diez presented today to His Excellency the Governor General at Government House his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Chile to Canada.

The Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. L.D. Wilgress, was present. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. H.F. Feaver, presented General Ruiz to the Governor General. The Secretary to the Governor General, Mr. Lionel Massey, was in attendance. The Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. Gaston Wilson, First Secretary of his Embassy.

General Ruiz was born at Cauquenes, Chile in 1907. After graduating from the Military School and the Aviation School of his country, he was sent on duty to France, Italy and England. In 1937, he graduated from the War Academy of Chile and then served as professor of aerial and military tactics and staff and military history. He was later appointed to the General Staff. In 1942, he was appointed Air Attaché to the Chilean Embassy in Washington. In 1948, he became Air Force General of Chile and retired later in the year from the Air Force.