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His Excellency Oumar Sow today presented to His Excellency the Governor-General his Letter of Credence as the first Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Mali to Canada. The ceremony took place at Government House. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. Henry F. Davis, presented the Ambassador to His Excellency the Governor-General.

Mr. G.P. de T. Glazebrook, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and Colonel A.G. Cherrier, Assistant Secretary to the Governor-General, were in attendance, on the Governor-General on this occasion.

The Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. A. Touré, Counsellor of the Embassy.

Mr. Sow was born on August 13, 1926, in Kayes, Mali. He was probationary officer of the Federation of Mali to the Quai d'Orsay before being appointed Secretary of Embassy by the Government of the French Republic and assigned to Kumasi, Ghana, as Vice-Consul.

When Mali obtained its independence, he was named Resident Minister of the Republic of Mali in Accra, Ghana. In March 1962, Mr. Sow was appointed Ambassador to the United States, Brazil and Haiti, with residence in Washington.

Mr. Sow is married.