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APPOINTMENT OF MARGARET Y. CATLEY-CARLSON AS DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNICEF

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mark MacGuigan, is pleased to announce the appointment by Mr. James Grant, Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), of Margaret Y. Catley-Carlson to the position of Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF (Operations) in New York.

Ms. Catley-Carlson joined the Department of External Affairs as a foreign service officer in June 1966. Since her initial foreign posting in Sri Lanka in 1968, she has held a number of positions in the areas of aid and development and commercial policy. In 1975, she served as Economic Counsellor at the Canadian High Commission in London where she was extensively involved in the Conference on International Economic Co-operation (CEIC), Paris. Upon her return to Canada in 1978, Ms. Catley-Carlson undertook an assignment as Vice-President (Multilateral) at the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) following which she was appointed as Senior Vice-President in 1979 and from July to December 1980, was Acting President, CIDA. In January 1981, she assumed her present responsibility as Assistant Under-Secretary for Trade, Development, and General Economic Relations in the Department of External Affairs.

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), created in 1946 to provide emergency relief to millions of starving and deprived children, victims of the Second World War, has enjoyed support in Canada. UNICEF today, combines humanitarian and development objectives in seeking to assist developing countries in their efforts to improve the quality of life of their children and mothers.