

Canada opposes all foreign military aid in Angola

"Canada favours an immediate cease-fire in Angola," Secretary of State for External Affairs Allan MacEachen said on January 20.

In a statement in Tel Aviv on the last day of his visit to the Middle East, Mr. MacEachen said that Canada was completely opposed to the continued supply of foreign soldiers, arms, material, money and mercenaries to the three warring factions in Angola.

"We believe that each of the three liberation movements has a genuine constituency among the people of Angola and we consider that the only real solution to the problem is a negotiated settlement following the withdrawal of *all* foreign military assistance. This would allow the Angolan people to choose a government freely without fear of intimidation and danger to their personal safety," he stated.

He added that, in present circumstances, Canada did not see its way clear to recognizing any of the contending groups as the government of Angola.

Olympic stamps

Four Olympic commemorative stamps – a set of three featuring the arts and culture program, and one depicting the XII Olympic Winter Games, Innsbruck 1976, will be issued by the Canada Post Office on February 6.

Of the three arts and culture stamps, designed by Ray Webber of Toronto, the 50-cent denomination represents the performing arts, the 25-cent denomination depicts handicrafts, and the 20-cent denomination portrays communications arts.

The Innsbruck Winter Games 20-cent stamp, designed by Rolf Harder of Montreal, shows the official Innsbruck Olympic symbol combined with a stylized snowflake.

Olympics arts and culture program

By a special amendment of the Olympic organization's bylaws, the arts and culture program of the XXI Olympiad in Montreal this summer will be the entire responsibility of the host country for the first time in the history of

Ontario Liberals elect new leader

Dr. Stuart Smith, a Hamilton psychiatrist, was elected leader of the Ontario Liberal party at a leadership convention on January 25.

A member of the Ontario Legislature since only last September, Dr. Smith won on the third ballot by 45 votes over David Peterson of London, Ontario, another newcomer elected at the same time. The final count was 998 votes to 953.

Six candidates were in the race. The first ballot result showed Smith with 629 votes, Peterson 518, Albert Roy of Ottawa 469, Marc MacGuigan, a federal Member of Parliament, 308, Larry Condon 37, and Michael Houlton 4. On the second ballot Smith had 742 votes, Peterson 673 and Roy 513.

Dr. Smith succeeds Ontario Liberal Party leader Robert Nixon, who resigned after the September 1975 election, when the New Democratic Party replaced the Liberals as the Official Opposition after 25 years. The Progressive Conservatives have held the majority in the Ontario government for some 32 years.

Appointments to the Order of Canada

The Canadian High Commissioner in London, Paul Martin, and the Secretary to the Cabinet for Federal-Provincial Relations, Dr. R. Gordon Robertson, head the list of 60 new appointments



Canada's High Commissioner in London, Paul Martin, was recently named Companion of the Order of Canada.

to membership in the Order of Canada, announced by Governor-General Jules Léger on January 17. The Order is designed to honour Canadians for outstanding achievement and merit in every major field of endeavour.

The degrees of membership in the Order are designated by letters after surnames – for the Companion (conferred on Mr. Martin and Dr. Robertson), "C.C.", for the Officer (of which there are 19), "O.C." and for the Member (39), "C.M."

Among the Officers in the recent list are geologist Dr. Helen R. Belyea, former British Columbia premier W.A.C. Bennett, artist Jack Bush, chairman of the Canadian Association of Broadcasters Pierre Camu, Laval University professor Jean-Charles Falardeau, former Speaker of the Senate Muriel Fergusson, chairman of the Public Service Staff Relations Board Jacob Finkelman, chief of cardiovascular surgery, Toronto Hospital for Sick Children Dr. William Thornton, and president of McClelland and Stewart publishers Dr. Jack McClelland.

Included in the new Members' list are folklorist Helen Creighton, sculptor-artist Sylvia Daoust, Brigadier-General

the Games. Canadian arts and crafts will feature the best talent in plastic arts, graphic arts, performing arts and handicrafts.

Concerts, pageants and exhibitions will be held throughout July.

