High Commissioner for Ireland in Canada. They feel sure that the exchange of representatives between Canada and Ireland initiated by this appointment will serve to foster the friendly relations which have always existed between the two countries, and they have no doubt that in the discharge of his mission Mr. Hearne may rely upon the co-operation and assistance of the Canadian Government.

- 2. A brief biographical note of Mr. Hearne is enclosed.
- 3. Mr. Hearne will arrive at Montreal on the "Duchess of Bedford" on the 18th August. He will be accompanied by his family.

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Le secrétaire d'État aux Affaires extérieures au ministre des Affaires extérieures d'Irlande Secretary of State for External Affairs to Irish Minister for External Affairs

DESPATCH 4

Ottawa, August 11, 1939

Sir.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your despatch No. 17 of 31st July, 1939, informing me that the Government of Ireland have been pleased to appoint Mr. John Joseph Hearne to be High Commissioner for Ireland in Canada.

The Government of Canada welcome this appointment and desire to assure you that in the despatch of his mission Mr. Hearne will receive the cooperation and assistance of the Canadian Government.

The Government of Canada share the belief expressed in your despatch that the exchange of representatives between Canada and Ireland, initiated by Mr. Hearne's appointment, will serve to foster the friendly relations which have always existed between our two countries.

I thank you for sending me the brief biographical note of Mr. Hearne.

I note that Mr. Hearne will arrive at Montreal on board SS. Duchess of Bedford on August 18th and that he will be accompanied by the members of his family. Arrangements have been made for the extension to them of appropriate courtesies and facilities on arrival.

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LAURENT BEAUDRY for the . . .