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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TODAY ANNOUNCED

THAT THE CANADIAN LEGATION IN VIENNA IS BEING RAISED TO THE STATUS OF EMBASSY, AND THAT THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS WITHIN THE CANADIAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE:

MR. J.S. MACDONALD WILL BECOME CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO AUSTRIA IN SEPTEMBER REPLACING MR. G.L. MAGANN, WHO HAS BEEN ACCREDITED, UNTIL NOW, AS AMBASSADOR TO SWITZERLAND AND MINISTER TO AUSTRIA. MR. MACDONALD IS AT PRESENT CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO YUGOSLAVIA. AN ANNOUNCEMENT WILL BE MADE LATER REGARDING MR. MACDONALD'S SUCCESSOR IN BELGRADE.

MR. ARTHUR IRWIN, WHO HAS BEEN SINCE 1953 THE CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO AUSTRALIA, HAS BEEN APPOINTED THE CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL AND WILL TAKE UP HIS POST IN RIO DE JANEIRO LATE IN THE YEAR

MR. H.A. SCOTT, CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, CONCURRENTLY ACCREDITED AS CANADIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE REPUBLIC OF HAITI AND TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, WILL SUCCEED MR. H.G. NORMAN, C.M.G., AS CONSUL GENERAL IN NEW YORK IN NOVEMBER. MR. NORMAN WILL BE RETIRING FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE.

MR. HECTOR ALLARD, PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CANADA TO THE EUROPEAN OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA, WILL SUCCEED MR. SCOTT IN DECEMBER AS AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, AND WILL BE AT THE SAME TIME ACCREDITED AS AMBASSADOR TO THE REPUBLIC OF HAITI AND TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

MR. M.H. WERSHOF, Q.C., LEGAL ADVISER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, WILL SUCCEED MR. ALLARD AS PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF CANADA TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, IN DECEMBER.