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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today the following changes and appointments in the Canadian Diplomatic Service.

The Government of Canada has agreed with the Governments of Iceland and Luxembourg to raise their diplomatic representation in their respective countries to the status of Embassy.

The Government of the Peoples Republic of Poland and the Government of Canada have also decided to raise their Legations in Warsaw and Ottawa to Embassies. Mr. G.H. Southam, who has been Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the Canadian Legation in Warsaw since March 1959, has been appointed the first Ambassador of Canada to Poland.

Mr. J.A. McCordick has been appointed Minister of Canada to the Czechoslovak Republic. He will take up his duties in June. Mr. McCordick replaces Mr. A.J. Andrew, who has been Charge d'Affaires ad interim of the Canadian Legation in Prague since July 1957.

Mr. T.G.M. Major has been appointed Consul General of Canada in Manila with jurisdiction in the Republic of the Philippines. Mr. Major, who is now serving as Commercial Counsellor in Melbourne, Australia, will take up his new duties shortly. Mr. H.L.E. Priestman, the present Consul General in Manila, is proceeding on retirement.

Dr. C.F. Wilson has been appointed Consul General of Canada in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A. Mr. Wilson, who is now serving in Copenhagen, Denmark, as Commercial Counsellor, will take up his new duties shortly. The present Consul General in Chicago is Mr. G.A. Newman whose next appointment will be announced by the Minister of Trade and Commerce.