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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, announced today the appointment of Mr. Bertram C. Butler as Canadian Ambassador to Burma. Mr. Butler, who is also accredited to Malaysia and Thailand, succeeds Mr. Charles E. McGaughey whose appointment as High Commissioner to Ghana was announced recently.

Mr. Butler was born in Hamilton, Ontario, on February 2, 1905, and was educated at Queen's University. He joined the Trade Commissioner Service of the Department of Trade and Commerce in 1929 and, between 1929 and 1945, served abroad at posts in Batavia, Singapore, Los Angeles, and New York. In 1945 he was appointed Director of the Trade Publicity Division of the Department of Trade and Commerce, and also served in Ottawa as Associate Director of the Canadian Government Travel Bureau, and as Acting Director of the Canadian Government Exhibition Commission.

In 1951 Mr. Butler was transferred to Detroit as Consul and Trade Commissioner, and in 1954 he was appointed Counsellor (Commercial) at the Canadian Embassy in Paris. In 1956 he was named Counsellor (Commercial) at the Embassy in The Hague, and in 1959 was appointed Minister (Commercial) at Canada House, London.

Mr. Butler is married and has two sons and two daughters.