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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that the Government of Canada and the Government of El Salvador have agreed to establish diplomatic relations. Mr. Green also announced that Mr. Jean-Louis Delisle, the Canadian Ambassador resident in Costa Rica, has been appointed concurrently to El Salvador. Mr. Delisle will continue to reside in San Jose and will make periodic visits to El Salvador in discharging his duties as Ambassador to that country. Mr. Delisle is also accredited to Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama.

With Mr. Delisle's appointment to San Salvador, which he will be visiting shortly to present his credentials, Canada will have completed the establishment of diplomatic relations with all 20 Latin American Republics. El Salvador is the ninth Latin American country with which Canada has established relations during 1961, thus furthering the Canadian Government's expressed intention actively to promote closer ties with all nations of the Western Hemisphere.