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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT DR. VITTORINO VERONESE, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) WILL PAY AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO OTTAWA FROM APRIL 22 TO APRIL 24. HE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY MR. RENE MAHEU, ONE OF THE THREE ASSISTANT DIRECTORS-GENERAL OF THE ORGANIZATION.

DURING THE COURSE OF HIS VISIT DR. VERONESE WILL CALL ON HIS EXCELLENCY, THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL AND ON THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. JOHN G. Diefenbaker. ON APRIL 23 HE WILL BE THE GUEST OF HONOUR AT A LUNCHEON GIVEN BY THE CANADIAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO, AND THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA WILL GIVE A DINNER IN HIS HONOUR.

DR. VERONESE WAS APPOINTED DIRECTOR-GENERAL AT THE TENTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO WHICH TOOK PLACE IN PARIS IN NOVEMBER 1958. HIS TERM IS FOR SIX YEARS. PRIOR TO THIS APPOINTMENT HE HAD SERVED FOR TWO YEARS AS CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND HE HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE ORGANIZATION'S ACTIVITIES SINCE 1948.

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