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The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today appointment by the Civil Service Commission of Mr. Leon Mayrand and Mr. Herbert Owen Moran as Assistant Under-Secretaries of State for External Affairs. Mr. Mayrand was formerly Head of the American and Far Eastern Division of the Department of External Affairs and Mr. Moran was Special Assistant to the Under-Secretary.

Mr. Mayrand was born in Montreal in 1905. He was admitted to the Quebec Bar in 1929 and obtained his diploma from l'Ecole des Sciences Politiques in Paris in 1931 and his doctorate of laws from the University of Montreal in 1933. He was on the staff of "La Patrie" from 1933 to 1934. Mr. Mayrand joined the Department of External Affairs in 1934 and has served in London, Rio de Janeiro and Moscow as well as in Ottawa. He was a member of the Canadian Delegation to the second part of the third session of the United Nations General Assembly which has just concluded its meeting at Lake Success.

Mr. Moran was born in Peterborough in 1908. A graduate of the University of Toronto, he studied at Osgoode Hall and was called to the Ontario Bar in 1935. He practised law in Toronto. Mr. Moran served overseas for five and a half years and in 1945 became Officer I/C, Canadian Section Headquarters, British Army of the Rhine. He retired from the army with the rank of Colonel, joined the Department and became Head of the Economic Division. He was appointed Special Assistant to the Acting Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs in October, 1948.