

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

GILLES LEFEBVRE, 56, originally of Montreal.

Studied music in Ottawa and Paris. Joined the Department in 1972 when he was appointed Director of the Canadian Cultural Centre in Paris. Mr. Lefebvre is well known in international cultural circles for his work with the "Jeunesses musicales du Canada", which he founded in 1940, the "Fédération internationale des Jeunesses musicales" and the Orford Arts Centre which he also established. He has served three terms as President of the "Fédération internationale des Jeunesses musicales du Canada" and was President of the Canadian Conference of the Arts from 1970 to 1972.

HUGH DAVIDSON, 48, originally from Montreal.

Mr. Davidson studied at the University of Western Ontario, the Royal Conservatory of Music in Toronto and the Royal College of Music in London. More recently he was with Canada Council where he was Head of the Music Division. Mr. Davidson brings to his new position a long and extensive background in music and broadcasting. Prior to joining the Canada Council he worked as music administrator at the National Arts Centre and as a producer with the BBC, the CBC French and English radio networks and Radio Canada International.

KENNETH WILLIAMSON, 56, originally of Winnipeg.

Mr. Williamson (B.A., University of Manitoba) joined the Department in 1947 and has served abroad in Rome, Prague, Santiago, Berlin and Washington as well as in the Information Branch of the Department on earlier assignments. He was Ambassador to Turkey from 1974 to 1977. Since 1977 he has been Co-ordinator for the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament.