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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, announces the following diplomatic appointments:

Mr. J. Denis Bélisle, born in Drummondville (Quebec), as Ambassador to the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire with concurrent accreditation to the Republic of Niger.

Mr. Bélisle (BComm, University of Sherbrooke, 1963; MComm, University of Sherbrooke, 1964; Post-Graduate Studies, Graduate Institute of International Affairs, Geneva, 1966) joined the Federal Government in 1966. He has worked abroad as Second Secretary at the Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C. He has worked as a co-ordinator for EXPO 67 and as Executive Vice-President and Director of Canadian Pacific Consulting Services Ltd. Since March 1988, he has been the Vice President, Business Co-operation Branch at the Canadian International Development Agency. Mr. Bélisle is married to Micheline Labrecque and they have two children. Mr. Bélisle replaces Mr. Jean-Guy Saint-Martin.

Mrs. Marie Bernard-Meunier, born in Noranda (Quebec), as Ambassador and Permanent Delegate to the Permanent Delegation of Canada to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in Paris.

Mrs. Bernard-Meunier (BA, University of Montreal, 1967; BSc [Political Science], University of Montreal; MSc [Political Science], University of Montreal, 1973) joined the Department of External Affairs in June 1972. In Ottawa, she has worked in the United Nations and Economic Divisions. She has served abroad in New York, Bonn and Vienna. Since September 1987, she has been the Deputy Permanent Delegate and Minister-Counsellor to the Permanent Delegation of Canada to UNESCO in Paris. Mrs. Bernard-Meunier is married to Pierre Bernard and they have one child. Mrs. Bernard-Meunier replaces Mr. Jean Drapeau.

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