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His Excellency Mr. Georges Heisbourg today presented to the Governor-General his Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Luxembourg to Canada. The ceremony took place at Government House at 11:00 a.m. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. H. F. Feaver presented the Ambassador to His Excellency the Governor-General. Mr. H. Cadieux, Deputy Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and Mr. Esmond Butler, Secretary to the Governor-General were in attendance on the Governor-General on this occasion.

This was the second occasion on which Mr. Heisbourg presented Letters of Credence to the Governor-General of Canada. In January 1959 Mr. Heisbourg presented to His Excellency the Honourable Vincent Massey his Letters of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Luxembourg to Canada.

The recent decision of the Government of Luxembourg and Canada to raise their respective Legations to Embassies has now necessitated the presentation of Mr. Heisbourg's credentials as Ambassador.

Mr. Heisbourg was born in 1918, and was educated at the Universities of Grenoble, Innsbruck and Paris. In 1944, he was appointed Chief of Information Service and in 1945 was appointed Attache and subsequently Secretary of the Luxembourg Legation in London. From 1952 to 1958 he served as Legation Counsellor at the Luxembourg Foreign Ministry. In 1958 Mr. Heisbourg was appointed Ambassador to Washington, a post he has held since.

He is married and has three children.