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Dr. Rade Pribicevic presented today to His Excellency the Governor General at Government House his Letter of Credence as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Yugoslavia to Canada.

Mr. Brooke Claxton, Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs, was present. Mr. Howard Measures, Chief of Protocol, presented Dr. Pribicevic to His Excellency the Governor General. Mr. Djuro F. Vukolic, Second Secretary, Lieutenant-Colonel Janko Susnjar, Military Attaché, and Mr. Slavko Zecevic, Second Secretary, accompanied the Minister of Yugoslavia.

Dr. Rade Pribicevic was born in 1896, at Dvor, Croatia, Yugoslavia. He graduated in the Faculty of Law, Zagreb, in the year 1920, and received his doctor's degree in the same year. He graduated in Political Science at Paris in 1923.

Before the Second World War, Dr. Pribicevic practised law in Zagreb and was also engaged in journalism. He took an active part in the political life of Yugoslavia, as a Member of the Independent Democratic Party.

From 1943 to 1945, Dr. Pribicevic was a member of the National Committee of Yugoslavia and of the Temporary Government of Yugoslavia. From 1945 to 1946, he was Vice-President of the Government of the People's Republic of Croatia. He was Ambassador to Poland from 1947 until June 1950.

Dr. Pribicevic is married and has a son Novak, 12 years of age. He holds the Orders of National Liberation of Yugoslavia and Polonia Restituta.