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## DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announces the appointment of the <u>Honourable Cyril Lloyd Francis</u> (64) born in Ottawa, Ontario, as Ambassador to Portugal.

Mr. Francis (B.A., M.A., University of Toronto, 1940, 1946; Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, 1955) was first elected to the House of Commons in 1963 after being Deputy Mayor of the City of Ottawa from 1961 to 1963. He was re-elected as a Member of Parliament in 1968, 1974, and 1980. He was appointed Chief Government Whip in 1970, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Veterans Affairs in 1972, and Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Treasury Board in 1974. He was a member of the Canadian Delegation to the United Nations General Assembly in New York in 1967 and again in 1974. In 1980, Mr. Francis was appointed Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees of the Whole before accepting his most recent appointment as Speaker of the House of Commons in 1984.