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The Department of External Affairs announces that Mr. Mario di Stefano presented today, to His Excellency the Governor General, at Government House, his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Italy in Canada.

Mr. Claxton, Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs, was present. Mr. Mario Majoli, First Secretary of the Italian Embassy, and Mr. Pietro Migone, Commercial Attache, accompanied the Ambassador. Mr. Measures, Chief of Protocol, Department of External Affairs, presented Mr. di Stefano to His Excellency the Governor General.

Mr. di Stefano has held the post of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary at the Italian Embassy in Washington since March 12, 1947. Mr. di Stefano was born in Palermo in 1900. He entered the Italian diplomatic service in 1923, served in Athens, Bucharest, Ankara, Moscow and Warsaw and at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Rome.

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