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The newly appointed High Commissioner for New Zealand, John Stanhope Reid, this morning called on the Prime Minister of Canada, The Right Honourable John G. Diéfenbaker, to present his Letter of Introduction. The High Commissioner was introduced by the Chief of Protocol, Mr. Henry F. Davis.

Mr. Reid was born in 1901. He graduated from Victoria University, Wellington, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. From 1924 to 1935 he engaged in private legal practice. In 1937 he became Assistant Parliamentary Law Draftsman and in 1942 Acting Treasury Solicitor.

Mr. Reid joined the Department of External Affairs in 1943 and was appointed First Secretary and later Counsellor at the Embassy of New Zealand in Washington, D.C. In 1949 he became Assistant Secretary of External Affairs, Wellington. From 1952 to 1953 Mr. Reid held an appointment with the United Nations in Indonesia.

Prior to his present appointment Mr. Reid served as Minister, then as Ambassador of New Zealand to Japan.

Mr. Reid is married.