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His Excellency Mr. Oscar Thorsing presented today to the Deputy Governor General, the Honourable Patrick Kerwin, Chief Justice of Canada, his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Sweden to Canada. The ceremony of presentation took place at the Supreme Court Building.

The Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Jules Léger, was in attendance on the Deputy Governor General on this occasion. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. E. D'Arcy McGreer presented the Ambassador to the Deputy Governor General. Mr. J.F. Delaute, Administrative Secretary to the Governor General, was also present. Mr. Thorsing was accompanied by Mr. Otto Rathsman, First Secretary of the Embassy.

Mr. Thorsing was born in 1896. He entered the Swedish Foreign Service as Press Representative in London in 1930. After serving as Head of the Press Section of the Swedish Foreign Ministry from 1936-46, he was appointed Minister to Ireland (1946-52). Since August 1952 he has been permanent representative to the United Nations in New York. Mr. Thorsing is married.

Mr. Thorsing is the first Ambassador of his country to Canada.

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