## PIERRE\_ANDRE BISSONNETTE

Mr. Bissonnette was born in Montreal on December 23, 1924. He received his B.A. degree from Laval University in 1946 and his Licence in Law from the University of Montreal in 1948. He was later admitted to the Bar of Quebec. Mr. Bissonnette did further studies in law and political science in the Netherlands and in Switzerland.

He entered the Department of External Affairs in 1953 and has served in a number of posts abroad including Brussels, Kuala Lumpur and the North Atlantic Council when its headquarters were in Paris.

Mr. Bissonnette was appointed to his present position of Acting Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs in 1968. In this position his area of responsibility is Legal, Constitutional and Public Affairs.

He is married and has three children.