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The Department of External Affairs announced today that His Excellency El-Husseini El-Khatib presented to His Excellency the Governor General his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Egypt to Canada. The ceremony took place at Government House.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. L. B. Pearson, was in attendance on the Governor General on this occasion. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. E. D'Arcy McGreer, presented the Ambassador to the Governor General. The Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. H. M. El-Hakeem, Counsellor of the Embassy. Mr. Lionel Massey, Secretary to the Governor General, was also present.

Mr. El-Khatib was born in 1903. After graduating in Cairo with a "licence en droit" he entered the Egyptian Foreign Service. Since then, he has held a number of diplomatic and consular posts in the Near East, Europe, the United States and India. Before his appointment to Canada, he was serving as Ambassador in Djeddah.

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