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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, today announced the appointment of Mr. J.C.L. Yvon Beaulne, at present Ambassador to Brazil, as Permanent Representative and Ambassador to the United Nations, New York. He will be replacing Mr. George Ignatieff, whose appointment as Permanent Representative and Ambassador of Canada to the Conference of the Eighteen-Nation Committee on Disarmament in Geneva was made public earlier. Mr. Beaulne's successor in Brazil will be announced later.

Mr. Beaulne was born in Ottawa on February 22, 1919 and after graduating from the University of Ottawa in 1941, he served with the Canadian Army in the United Kingdom, North Africa, Italy and Northwestern Europe. He received his discharge in 1946, with the rank of Captain, and joined the Department of External Affairs in 1948. He served in Rome, Buenos Aires and Havana. He was appointed Ambassador to Venezuela in December 1961 and subsequently Minister to the Canadian Embassy in Washington in 1964. Mr. Beaulne has been Ambassador to Brazil since September 1967. He is married and has five children.