The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, has the pleasure to announce the nomination of Mrs. Rita Cadieux, currently Director of the Social Action Branch of the Secretary of State Department, as the Canadian representative to the Commission on the Status of Women (biography attached). This Commission, established by the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, makes recommendation to the Economic and Social Council for the promotion of women's rights and to give effect to the principle that women and men should have equal rights. The Commission meets biennially. Canada is currently serving its second consecutive term on the Commission, having been re-elected for a four-year term at last year's fifty-second session of the Economic and Social Council.

Mrs. Cadieux succeeds Miss Sylva Gelber, Director, Women's Bureau, Department of Labour, who was Canada's representative to the Commission on the Status of Women during the past three years.