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The Right Honourable Vincent Massey, P.C., LL.D.,  
High Commissioner for Canada in the  
United Kingdom,  
Canada House,  
London.

My dear High Commissioner:

It was with great regret that I learned of your desire to relinquish the office of High Commissioner in London. I fully understand, however, your wish to return to Canada after so many years in our country's service abroad. I shall not, therefore, endeavour to dissuade you from your decision.

At this time, when you are leaving the important position which you have held for more than ten years, I wish to express to you, on behalf of the Canadian Government, the warmest appreciation of your outstanding services to Canada.

Your tenure of office as High Commissioner has extended over the war years and your duties have, at times, been performed in exceptionally arduous circumstances.

You have the satisfaction of knowing that the distinction with which you have filled the position of High Commissioner, and the devoted services which you and Mrs. Massey have rendered to Canada have won for you both a firm and lasting place in the esteem and regard of your fellow Canadians.

With kindest personal regards,

Yours very sincerely,