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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT HIS EXCELLENCY DR. HASSO VON ETZDORF PRESENTED HIS LETTERS OF CREDENCE TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF GERMANY TO CANADA. THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, MR. JULES LEGER, WAS PRESENT ON THIS OCCASION AND DR. VON ETZDORF WAS PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL BY THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, MR. E. D'ARCY MCGREER. THE AMBASSADOR WAS ACCOMPANIED BY MR. H.H. SANTE, COUNSELLOR; DR. W.O. DENZER, FIRST SECRETARY; DR. EDGAR GERWIN, FIRST SECRETARY; DR. HANS WEDDIGEN, FIRST SECRETARY; MR. M. ROELLINGHOFF, SECOND SECRETARY; DR. KLAUS RUSCHER, SECOND SECRETARY; DR. KURT ANDREAE, SECOND SECRETARY, AND MRS. MARITANA HEINRICH, THIRD SECRETARY. MR. LIONEL MASSEY AND MR. J.F. DELAUTE RESPECTIVELY SECRETARY AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL WERE ALSO PRESENT.

DR. VON ETZDORF WAS BORN IN 1900 AT ELBING AND ENTERED THE GERMAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE IN 1928. DURING HIS CAREER HE HAS SERVED IN JAPAN, ITALY AND IN FRANCE, WHERE HE WAS DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE GERMAN DELEGATION TO THE INTERIM COMMITTEE FOR THE EUROPEAN DEFENCE COMMUNITY IN PARIS FROM OCTOBER 1953 TO 1955. SINCE JUNE 1, 1955, THE AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL TO THE WESTERN EUROPEAN UNION IN LONDON. DR VON ETZDORF IS MARRIED.