with information, cultural and consular affairs, general administration, personnel management, etc.

In addition to acquiring this practical experience of working in divisions, new officers are given full or part-time language courses which permit them to improve their proficiency in their second Canadian language. They also attend a series of lectures on the organization and the work of the Department, the function of other government departments and the responsibilities of officers at



A new Ambassador must present his credentials to the Head of State of the country to which he is accredited. Above, the Canadian Ambassador to Thailand, resident in Malaysia, presents his credentials to H. M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej, in the Chakri Throne Hall, Bangkok, November 30, 1965.

Canadian missions abroad. The lecture programme is supplemented by field trips to government agencies such as the National Film Board and the International Service of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in Montreal. A number of officers are also sent to our Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York for short periods of on-the-job training during the annual General Assembly.

Thus, the initial period in Ottawa acquaints the new officer with the work of the Department's headquarters and of closely related government departments, as well as broadening his knowledge of Canada's role in international affairs.