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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Honourable Allan J. MacEachen, Deputy Prime Minister and Secretary of State for External Affairs, announces the following diplomatic appointments:

Mr. Jacques Asselin (54), born in Montréal, Quebec, as Consul General in Seattle, U.S.A.

Mr. Asselin (B.A., University of Ottawa, 1952; M.A., University of Montreal, 1955) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1957. He has served abroad in Mexico City, Washington, Moscow and Paris. In 1977, he was named Ambassador to Senegal with concurrent accreditation to Cape Verde Islands, the Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau and Mauritania. Since 1982 Mr. Asselin has served as Assistant Under-Secretary for Federal-Provincial Relations. Mr. Asselin will replace Mr. John Sharpe who has returned to Canada.

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Mr. John Peter Bell (45), born in Montréal, Quebec, as Ambassador to the Ivory Coast with concurrent accreditation to Upper Volta, Mali and Niger.

Mr. Bell (B.Comm., University of British Columbia, 1962) joined the foreign service in 1962 and served abroad in the Trade Commissioner Service in Stockholm, Accra, Abidjan, Paris, Sydney and Sao Paulo. From 1982 he has been Deputy Consul General (Commercial) in New York. He will replace Mr. Ernest Hébert.

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