Mr. George K. Grande, 56, originally from Montreal, to be Ambassador to South Africa.

Mr. Grande (B.A., McGill University), joined the Department of External Affairs in 1946 and has served abroad in New York (1947-50), Athens (1952-54), and Berlin (1955-60). He was named High Commissioner to Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) in 1964, and has been Ambassador to Norway and Iceland (1968-72). His most recent assignment has been as Ambassador and Head of the Canadian Delegation to the Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction Talks in Vienna.

Mr. Grande succeeds Mr. Arthur G. Campbell whose next assignment will be announced at a later date.

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Mr. J. E. Ghislain Hardy, 55, originally from Montreal, to be Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council.

Mr. Hardy (Diplômé en économie, sciences politiques, Institut d'études politiques, Université de Paris; M.A., McGill University and University of Ottawa has served abroad in Rome (1952-56), London (1958-62) and Geneva (1962-63). Upon returning to Ottawa he became Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet and Assistant Clerk of the Privy Council (1963-66). In 1966 he was named Deputy Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council and became, in 1967, Deputy High Commissioner in London. In 1969 he was appointed Ambassador to Spain with concurrent accreditation to Morocco and returned in 1973 to become Director-General of the Bureau of United Nations Affairs in the Department of External Affairs.

Mr. Hardy replaces Mr. Arthur Menzies whose appointment as Ambassador to China is announced below.

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Mr. Arthur R. Menzies, 59, born in Changto-ho, Honan, China, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of China.

Mr. Menzies (B.A., University of Toronto; M.A., Harvard University), joined the Department in 1940 and initially served abroad in Havana (1945-46) and in Tokyo as Head of the Canadian Liaison Mission, Chargé d'Affaires a.i. and Counsellor (1950-53). He was appointed High Commissioner to Malaya (1957-61) and concurrently to Burma (1958-61), and subsequently High Commissioner to Australia (1965-72) with concurrent accreditation to Fiji (1970-72). In 1972 Mr. Menzies was named Ambassador and appointed as Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council in Brussels.

Mr. Menzies succeeds Mr. Charles J. Small, whose next assignment will be announced at a later date.