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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that the Canadian Ambassador to Austria, Mr. J.S. MacDonald, will head the Canadian delegation to the United Nations Conference of Plenipotentiaries on Diplomatic Intercourse and Immunities, which will open in Vienna on March 2.

The delegation will include as alternate delegate, Mr. G. Sicotte, Head of the Legal Division of the Department of External Affairs; and as advisers, Messrs. E.H. Smith of the Taxation Division, Department of Finance; E.A. Warnock, Assistant Secretary of Excise, Department of National Revenue; J.M. Cote of the Protocol Division of External Affairs; and P.D. Scott of the Canadian Embassy in Warsaw.

The purpose of the Conference is to consider the draft articles which were prepared by the International Law Commission, pursuant to a request by the General Assembly of the United Nations for the codification of "diplomatic intercourse and immunities". The Conference is expected to last from six to eight weeks.