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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED THAT HIS EXCELLENCY NARIO RODRIGUEZ PRESENTED TODAY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL HIS LETTERS OF CREDENCE AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF CHILE TO CANADA. THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, MR. H.F. FEAVER, PRESENTED THE AMBASSADOR TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL. MR. MARCEL CADIEUX, ASSISTANT UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, AND MR. LIONEL NASSEY, SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL, WERE IN ATTENDANCE ON THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

MR. RODRIGUEZ WAS BORN IN 1908. DURING HIS EARLY CAREER HE SERVED IN PERU, BRAZIL AND WASHINGTON. IN 1944 HE WAS APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR AND SUBSEQUENTLY DIRECTOR OF THE DIPLOMATIC DEPARTMENT OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. FROM 1947 TO 1952 HE SERVED AS MINISTER COUNSELLOR IN WASHINGTON AND ALTERNATE DELEGATE IN THE COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES. IN 1952 MR. RODRIGUEZ WAS APPOINTED AS MINISTER IN WASHINGTON. HE WAS APPOINTED LATER AS POLITICAL DIRECTOR OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND SUBSEQUENTLY ASSISTANT UNDER-SECRETARY. IN 1955 MR. RODRIGUEZ WAS APPOINTED AS AMBASSADOR OF CHILE TO THE UNITED STATES UNTIL HIS RESIGNATION IN MARCH 1957.

MR. RODRIGUEZ IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO CHILDREN.