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# Biographical Notes

*Keith H. Christie*  
*Ambassador of Canada to the Republic of Cuba*

Theme of the presentation:



Keith H. Christie (BA Honours, University of Toronto, 1971; DPhil, Oxford University, 1974) entered the Foreign Service in 1976 after a period of lecturing at the Universities of Reading and British Columbia. A Rhodes Scholar (British Columbia, 1971), Mr. Christie has had postings in Brasilia and Lima.

His headquarters assignments have included Latin America Division, GATT Affairs Division, and the Multilateral Trade Negotiations Branch. In 1991, he was a Director in the Office of North American Free Trade Negotiations, leaving in 1992 to become Director of the Economic and Trade Policy Division. During 1995-96, he was concurrently Canada's Chief Negotiator of the Canada-Chile Free Trade Agreement. In 1996-97, he served on secondment in the Privy Council Office as Assistant Deputy Minister for Federal-Provincial Relations. Since July 1997, he has been Canada's Ambassador to Cuba.

Mr. Christie is married to Liliana Zapata and they have two children.