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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT HIS EXCELLENCY RAFAEL DE LA COLINA PRESENTED HIS LETTERS OF CREDENCE AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF MEXICO TO CANADA TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL. THE CEREMONY TOOK PLACE AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT 11:30 THIS MORNING.

THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, MR. H.F. FEAVER, PRESENTED THE AMBASSADOR TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL. MR. N.A. ROBERTSON, UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, AND MR. LIONEL MASSEY, SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, WERE IN ATTENDANCE ON THE GOVERNOR GENERAL. THE AMBASSADOR WAS ACCOMPANIED BY DR. SALVADOR PARDO-BOLLAND, COUNSELLOR OF HIS EMBASSY, AND MISS ALICIA MERINO, THIRD SECRETARY.

MR. DE LA COLINA, WHO WAS BORN IN TULANCINGO, MEXICO, IN 1898, JOINED THE MEXICAN FOREIGN SERVICE IN 1918. HIS APPOINTMENTS PRIOR TO COMING TO CANADA INCLUDED THOSE OF AMBASSADOR OF MEXICO TO THE UNITED STATES AND PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF MEXICO TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

MR. DE LA COLINA IS MARRIED.