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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA, MR. JAWAHARLAL NEHRU, HAS ACCEPTED THE INVITATION WHICH WAS EXTENDED TO HIM EARLIER THIS YEAR BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE LOUIS S. ST. LAURENT, TO VISIT THIS COUNTRY. MR. NEHRU WILL BE IN OTTAWA FROM THE LATE EVENING OF FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21 TO SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, THE RIGHT HONOURABLE VINCENT MASSEY, C.H., HAS INVITED THE PRIME MINISTER OF INDIA TO BE HIS GUEST AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE. MR. NEHRU'S DAUGHTER, MRS. INDIRA GANDHI, THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, MR. N.R. PILLAI, AND MR. M.O. MATHAI, MR. NEHRU'S PERSONAL SECRETARY, ALSO WILL STAY AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL WILL ENTERTAIN AT DINNER IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S HONOUR ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 22, AND ON THE SAME DAY THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA WILL BE HOST AT LUNCHEON AT 24 SUSSEX STREET. PRIOR TO THE DEPARTURE OF MR. NEHRU AND HIS PARTY FOR LONDON ON DECEMBER 23, THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR INDIA, DR. M.A. RAUF, WILL HOLD A RECEPTION IN MR. NEHRU'S HONOUR.