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SOIL SURVEY EXPERTS SENT TO WEST INDIES

CANADA IS LENDING THE SERVICES OF TWO SOIL SURVEY OFFICERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE WEST INDIES, UNDER THE CANADA-WEST INDIES AID PROGRAMME.

MR. ALEXANDER J. GREEN OF VANCOUVER AND MR. PAUL LAJOIE OF STE-ANNE DE BELLEVUE. WHO WILL BE LEAVING CANADA THIS WEEK, WILL CARRY OUT SOIL AND LAND USE SURVEYS ON ISLANDS IN THE FEDERATION DESIGNATED BY THE WEST INDIES GOVERNMENT. THEY EXPECT TO REMAIN IN THE WEST INDIES FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR.

MR. GREEN AND MR. LAJOIE WILL SPEND THE FIRST WEEKS OF THEIR TOUR OF DUTY IN PORT-OF-SPAIN AT THE REGIONAL RESEARCH CENTRE OF THE IMPERIAL COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE. AFTER SIGHT MONTHS SPENT IN CONDUCTING THE SOIL AND LAND USE SURVEYS, THEY EXPECT TO RETURN TO TRINIDAD TO COMPILE REPORTS AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS.

IN CANADA MR. GREEN SERVES WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AS A PEDOLOGIST IN BRITISH COLUMBIA. HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND IOVA STATE COLLEGE. AND CO-AUTHOR OF A PAPER ON "THE PROPERTIES OF TWO PROFILES OF THE HAYDEN SERIES" WHICH WAS PUBLISHED IN 1953.

MR. LAJOIE IS ALSO EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AS AN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH OFFICER AT MACDONALD COLLEGE. HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTREAL AND MCGILL UNIVERSITY AND IS THE AUTHOR OF A NUMBER OF PUBLICATIONS ON REGIONAL SOIL SURVEYS.