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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that the Canadian Government has established diplomatic relations with the Kingdom of Morocco.

The Canadian Government has appointed Mr. Jean Bruchesi, Canadian Ambassador to Spain, as Ambassador to Morocco. Mr. Ali Bengelloun, Moroccan Ambassador to the United States of America, has been appointed by his Government as Ambassador to Canada.

The appointment of Mr. Bruchési as Ambassador to Morocco follows a decision taken earlier by the Canadian Government to extend its diplomatic relations in Africa. Canada now has nine resident Heads of Mission in Africa and has diplomatic relations with twenty-one of the twenty-nine independent states on that continent.