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The Department of External Affairs announced that Mr. Numan Tahir Seymen presented today to His Excellency the Governor General at Government House his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Turkey to Canada.

Mr. L. B. Pearson, Secretary of State for External Affairs, was present. Mr. Kenan Gökart and Mr. Efdal Deringil, First Secretaries, and Colonel Pertev Gökce, Military Attache, accompanied the Ambassador. Mr. Howard Measures, Chief of Protocol, presented Mr. Seymen to His Excellency the Governor General.

Mr. Seymen was born in Istanbul in 1890 and is married. He is a graduate of the School of Political Science. Mr. Seymen entered the Ministry of External Affairs in 1913 and served in the Consulates General of Turkey in Berlin and in Paris. In 1928 he was First Secretary of the Turkish Embassy in Moscow and in 1931 Counsellor of the Embassy in Teheran. In 1933 he was appointed Director General of the Commercial Division of the Department of External Affairs. In 1935 he was Consul General in Geneva and in 1938 he returned to the Ministry of External Affairs as Head of the Consular Division. In 1939 Mr. Seymen was appointed Assistant Secretary General for External Affairs; he was appointed Turkish Minister to Egypt in 1942. Since 1946 he has been Minister to Austria.

Mr. Seymen succeeds Mr. Muzaffer Göker who left Ottawa in August, 1949, to take up his duties as Ambassador of Turkey to the U.S.S.R.

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