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APPOINTMENT OF F. M. FILLEUL  
AS OFFICIAL SPOKESMAN  
AND DIRECTOR OF THE PRESS OFFICE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Dr. Mark MacGuigan, today announced the appointment of F. M. (Chips) Filleul to the position of Official Spokesman and Director of the Press Office of the Department of External Affairs.

Born in Tangier, Morocco on April 3, 1938, he received his B.A. from the University of British Columbia in 1957 and a second B.A. from Oxford University in 1959. After further studies at the Sorbonne, he joined the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources in 1960. He entered External Affairs in July 1962 and served in the European, Administration, Finance, and United Nations Divisions, acting in 1963 as adviser to the Canadian delegation to the United Nations General Assembly.

From 1964 to 1966 he served as Third Secretary then Second Secretary at the Canadian Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, and from 1966 to 1968 as Second then First Secretary at the Embassy in Dakar, Senegal. In 1969, he attended the Ecole Nationale d'Administration in Paris, and in 1970 returned to Ottawa where he served in the Cultural Affairs Division. In 1972 he was posted as First Secretary to the Canadian Embassy in Rio de Janeiro and subsequently moved with the Embassy to Brasilia where he served as Counsellor. He was reassigned in 1974 to Ottawa as Deputy Director of the Western European Division and then as Director of the Public Relations Division.

In 1977 he was posted to the Consulate General in New York as Consul in charge of the post's general relations and public affairs programmes.

He is married to Elizabet Rodriguez and has two daughters.