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The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today the appointment of Dr. E. H. Coleman, former Under Secretary of State, as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of Canada in Cuba. This announcement was made as soon as the Canadian authorities had received a reply to the request which it is customary to address to a foreign Government for their agreement to a proposed appointment of a Head of Mission.

#### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF DR. COLEMAN

Born in Renfrew County, Ontario, in 1890. Educated at the University of Manitoba (LL.B. and LL.D.). Called to the Bar of Manitoba in 1922 and made a King's Counsel in 1929. Served as Private Secretary to the late Honourable Sir James Aikins, 1911-1918; Secretary-Treasurer of Canadian Bar Association, 1919-1933; Dean of Manitoba Law School, 1929-1933. Appointed Under Secretary of State and Deputy Registrar General of Canada in 1933. Was Canadian representative at the Conference on Enemy Patents in London, 1946, and at the Commonwealth Conference of Nationality in London, 1947. Was made C.M.G. in 1944.