

Mr. John Lawrence Paynter (42) originally from Victoria, B.C., as Ambassador to Thailand with concurrent accreditation to Vietnam.

Mr. Paynter (B.A., University of British Columbia, 1962; M.A., Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, 1963; B.A., Oxford, 1965; M.A., 1970) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1966. He has served in Moscow, Hong Kong, Peking and Geneva. Since 1980 he has been Director of the General Economic Relations, Finance and Investment Division. Mr. Paynter will replace Mr. Fred Bild.

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Mr. Peter McLaren Roberts (56) born in Calgary, Alberta, as Ambassador to the USSR.

Mr. Roberts (B.Ed., M.A. University of Alberta, 1949-51; M.A., Rhodes Scholar, Oxford University, 1953) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1955. He has served abroad in Moscow, Hong Kong, Saigon, Washington and the Canadian mission to NATO, Brussels. From 1970 to 1973 he was Press Secretary to the Prime Minister's Office and from 1973 to 1979 he was Assistant Under-Secretary of State, Cultural Affairs, at the Department of the Secretary of State. In 1979, Mr. Roberts was named to his present post as Ambassador to Romania. Mr. Roberts will replace Mr. G.A.H. Pearson who will return to Canada.