

The Right Honourable Louis St. Laurent, Minister of the  
Exchequer of the United Kingdom, made a short visit to  
Montreal, Quebec, Toronto and Ottawa before proceeding  
to Washington for the meetings of the International  
Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the Inter-  
national Monetary Fund.

# (M) APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS IN THE CANADIAN EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SERVICE

1. Mr. W.A. Robertson left Ottawa for London on September  
26 to take up his post as High Commissioner for Canada  
in the United Kingdom.
2. Mr. Emilio Vallanceau, Canadian Minister to Cuba,  
spent several days in Ottawa while in Canada on home  
leave.
3. Mr. J.D.M. Weld has been transferred from the Department  
in Ottawa to the Canadian Embassy in Paris as Third  
Secretary.
4. Leave of absence has been granted to Mr. H.B.C.  
Robinson to attend Oxford University and to Mr. F.B.  
Talla to attend the University of Toronto. Mr. B.  
Alibonov-Wallia has been given leave of absence to  
undertake special duties on the Secretariat of the  
United Nations for a period of three months.
5. The following temporary appointments have been made to  
the Department in Ottawa:  
T.S.O. 4 - Mr. J.B.C. Watkins - September 3.  
T.S.O. 1 - Mr. B. Alibonov-Wallia - September 2.

The following Commercial appointments were made in  
September: Mr. T.J. Monty, Commercial Secretary,  
Canadian Embassy Athens; Mr. P.V. Melane, Commercial  
Secretary, and Mr. W.R.M. Dale, Assistant Commercial  
Secretary, at the office of the High Commissioner for  
Canada in New Zealand.

# (T) INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

1. September 1 - Rio de Janeiro - 5th Congress of the Postal  
Unions of the Americas and Spain. The Canadian delegation  
consisted of the Honourable Ernest Bennett, Postmaster  
General; Mr. W.J. Turnbull, Deputy Postmaster General;  
Col. E.J. Underwood and Mr. T.E. Toffie of the Post  
Office Department.
2. September 2 - Copenhagen - Plenary Session of the Food and  
Agriculture Organization. The Chairman of the Canadian  
delegation was the Honourable J.G. Gardiner, Minister  
of Agriculture. The delegates included Dr. H. Barton,  
Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. J.D. Kearney,  
Canadian Minister to Norway and Denmark and officials  
of the Departments of Agriculture, Fisheries, Mines and  
Resources and Trade and Commerce.
3. September 5 - Brussels - 5th Session of the Inter-Allied  
Reparation Agency. In the absence of the Hon. W.T.A.  
Forbes, Mr. D'Arcy McGee, Charge d'Affaires of the  
Canadian Embassy in Brussels, acted as Canadian  
delegate.