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The newly appointed High Commissioner for Ceylon, Sir Senarat Gunawardena, this morning made his first call on the Prime Minister of Canada, the Right Honourable Lester B. Pearson. The High Commissioner was introduced by the Chief of Protocol, Mr. Henry F. Davis.

his Excellency Sir Senarat Gunawardena was born in November 1899. He is a Bachelor of Arts of the University of London and an Advocate of the Supreme Court of Ceylon. Mr. Gunawardena has had a distinguished career in the Ceylon Overseas Service. He served in Rome, Washington, Cuba, Mexico, France, Switzerland and Britain. He also served as Permanent Representative of Ceylon to the United Nations and was High Commissioner for Ceylon to Canada in 1957-58.

Sir Senarat is married and has two married daughters.