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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Ross Campbell as first Canadian Ambassador to Algeria. Mr. Campbell will remain concurrently accredited to Yugoslavia and will continue to reside in Belgrade from where he will make regular visits to Algeria. This appointment, which will serve to strengthen Canada's relations with this important North African country, will complete the establishment of formal diplomatic relations with Algeria. The first Algerian Ambassador to Canada, H.E. Mr. Cherif Guellal, presented his credentials on May 29, 1964.

Mr. Campbell was born in Toronto on November 4, 1918. After graduating from the University of Toronto in 1940, he joined the Royal Canadian Navy Volunteer Reserve, and served in the Atlantic, Mediterranean, Aegean and English Channel, mainly as Commanding Officer of motor torpedo boats. In 1944 he was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Upon discharge from the Navy in 1945 with the rank of Lieutenant, he joined the Department of External Affairs.

Mr. Campbell has served abroad in Canadian diplomatic missions in Oslo, Copenhagen and Ankara. In 1959 he was appointed Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for External Affairs and in 1962 Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs.

Mr. Campbell is married and has two children.