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The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today the appointment of James Scott Macdonald as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Canada in Brazil.

Mr. Macdonald was born in 1896 in Goldenville, Nova Scotia. He attended Queen's University and served in the First World War, 1915-1919. He was with the Department of Trade and Commerce from 1926-1928, and was appointed to the Department of External Affairs in 1928.

Mr. Macdonald is one of the most senior Canadian career Foreign Service Officers. He has served in diplomatic posts in Paris, Geneva and Washington, and has been technical adviser on trade negotiations with France and Australia, and was Secretary of the Canadian Delegation at the Imperial Economic Conference, 1932.

During 1937 he was Acting Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and has been Canadian High Commissioner in Newfoundland since May, 1944.