

Baghdad was justified or acceptable. Pointing out that Mr. Al-Niaimi's departure had been requested because he had been engaged in intelligence activities which the Canadian Government is not prepared to tolerate, the Department's note stated that neither Mr. McKenzie nor any other member of the Canadian Embassy staff in Baghdad had engaged in any kind of improper activities and that no such allegations had been made. There was, therefore, no basis whatsoever for the action taken by the Iraqi authorities.

Mr. McKenzie, aged 40, was born in England, and received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Business Administration degrees from the University of Toronto in 1962 and 1964 respectively. He joined the Trade Commissioner Service of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1965 and has served in Melbourne, Australia, Seattle and in Cairo, Egypt. Mr. McKenzie is single. Mr. McKenzie will be reassigned shortly.