

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Marie-Andrée Beauchemin (B.A., Honours [Political Science], Marianapolis College, University of Montreal, 1966), born in Montreal, Quebec, joined the Department of External Affairs in 1978 as Director, Personnel Policy and Official Languages. She served as Director, Personnel Operations Division from 1979 to 1982; Director General Consular Affairs from 1982 to 1983; and Director General Corporate Management Bureau from 1983 to 1985. From 1985 to 1988 she was Assistant Deputy Minister, Communications and Culture Branch. Mrs. Beauchemin has served as Consul General in Milan since 1988. She replaces Louis A. Delvoie who is returning to Canada.

Dennis B. Browne (B.Com., University of British Columbia, 1964; LL.B., University of British Columbia, 1965; LL.M., University of Ottawa, 1994) joined the Trade Commissioner Service in 1965. He served abroad in Oslo, London, Canberra, Moscow, Washington and, from 1988 to 1991, in Stockholm, as Ambassador to Sweden. In Ottawa, with the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, he was Chief of Commodity Arrangements from 1977 to 1979; and Director of Commodity Trade Policy from 1981 to 1982. He joined the Department of External Affairs as Director, Commodities and Resource Industries Division in 1982 and served as Director General, Agriculture, Fish and Food Products Bureau from 1973 to 1987. He has served most recently as Director General, Trade Competitiveness Bureau. Mr. Browne is married to Norma Browne and they have two daughters.

Robert G. Clark (B.A., Honours, University of Toronto), born in Toronto, Ontario, joined the Department of External Affairs in 1972, after several years in the private sector, and served abroad in Washington, Bogota and Mexico. In Ottawa, he held the positions of Executive Assistant to the Under Secretary of State for External Affairs; Director, Economic and Trade Analysis Division; Director, United States Trade and Economic Relations Division and Chairman of the Task Force on Free Trade. He also served as Deputy Chief Negotiator, North American Free Trade Negotiations, and is currently Deputy Co-ordinator, North American Free Trade Agreement, with the Department of Foreign Affairs. Mr. Clark is married to Donna Lynn Clark (née McIver) and they have three children — Adam, Vanessa and David. He succeeds Robert Rochon who is returning to Canada.

Jacques Demers (B.A., Université de Montréal, 1961; B.Ed., Université de Sherbrooke, 1964; LL.L., Université de Sherbrooke, 1966; C.S.E., École Nationale d'Administration, Paris, 1973; Brevet d'enseignement "A", 1964; Barreau du Québec, 1967), born in Sherbrooke, Quebec, joined the Department of External Affairs in 1967 and served abroad in Vientiane, in Saigon, and as counsellor in Paris, Madrid and in Mexico. In Ottawa, he was seconded to the Department of Justice as special assistant to the Minister;