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THE HONOURABLE HOWARD GREEN

Secretary of State for External Affairs.

The Honourable Howard Green, Q.C., P.C., M.P., was born in Kaslo, British Columbia, in November 1895. He attended primary and secondary schools in Kaslo and graduated from the University of Toronto with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915.

Mr. Green served overseas with the Canadian Army in the First World War, was mentioned in despatches and returned to Canada with the rank of Captain. He resumed his studies and graduated in law from Osgoode Hall, Toronto. In 1922 he was called to the Bar of British Columbia, and has practised law in Vancouver, B.C., ever since.

Mr. Green has been a Member of Parliament continuously for the past twenty-four years. He was first elected to represent Vancouver South in 1935 and he was re-elected in 1940 and 1945. Between the federal elections of 1945 and 1949, a redistribution of electoral districts resulted in an increase in the number of Vancouver seats. The bulk of the Vancouver South constituency became Vancouver Quadra, where Mr. Green was the successful candidate in 1949 and in each subsequent election.

Mr. Green was sworn into the Privy Council and appointed Minister of Public Works and Acting Minister of Defence Production in June 1957, holding the latter post until May 1958. For the last three sessions he has been House Leader for the Government. Mr. Green was sworn in as Secretary of State for External Affairs on June 4, 1959.

Mr. Green was married in 1923 and widowed in 1953. He has two sons, Lewis Howard, a geological engineer, and John Willson, the publisher of a weekly newspaper in British Columbia.

Mr. Green married Miss Donna Kerr of Vancouver in 1956. He is a member of the United Church of Canada.

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