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Canadians Appointed to Permanent Court of Arbitration

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, announced today the appointment by the Canadian Government of the following persons as members of the Canadian National Group on the Permanent Court of Arbitration.

1. The Honourable Mr. Justice D.C. Abbott,
The Supreme Court of Canada,
Ottawa.
2. Alexander H. Jeffery, Esq., Q.C.,
174 King Street,
London.
3. Professeur P.A. Crépeau,
Office de revision du Code civil,
407, Boulevard Saint-Laurent,
Montreal.
4. Monsieur Marcel Cadieux, Q.C.,
Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs,
Ottawa.

Canada actively supports the Permanent Court of Arbitration and our Ambassador in The Hague represents Canada on its Administrative Council. Sixty-five other countries are members of the Court which was established in 1899 for the settlement of disputes between States.

In addition to the duties of arbitrators which the members of the Canadian National Group may be called upon to perform, they also carry out an important supplementary function provided for in the Statute of the International Court of Justice. This function is to make nominations for the election of