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New Canadian Commissioner for ICSC

The Honourable Paul Martin, Secretary of State for External Affairs, today announced the appointment of Mr. Richard M. Tait, at present Head of the Aid and Development Section of Economic Division, to be the new Canadian Commissioner to the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Vietnam. Mr. Tait will be replacing Mr. Ormand W. Dier who has completed his tour of duty in Vietnam and will be returning for service in Ottawa.

Mr. Tait was born in Toronto in 1929 and attended the University of Toronto (BA, 1951) and the University of Bonn (1952-53). He joined the Department of External Affairs in 1955 and has served in Athens, at the Canadian Permanent Mission to the United Nations in Geneva and later, as an Adviser to the Canadian Delegation to the 18-Nation Disarmament Committee.

Mr. Tait is married to the former Janice Johnson of Brantford. They have three daughters.