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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SENIOR APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Flora MacDonald, announces the following senior appointments at headquarters and abroad.

Mr. L. H. Amyot, 49, originally from Quebec City and currently Assistant Secretary-General in the Agence de Coopération culturelle et technique to be Chief of Protocol, replacing Mr. André Couvrette.

Mr. André Couvrette, 45, originally from Montreal and currently Chief of Protocol, to be an Assistant Under-Secretary reponsible for various political and administrative affairs.

Mr. René de Chantal, 56, originally from Moose Creek, Ontario, formerly Vice Rector of the University of Montreal, to be Minister (Cultural Affairs and Information) at the Canadian Embassy in Paris.

Mr. <u>Jacques Gignac</u>, 51, originally from Shawinigan, currently Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, in addition to his present duties, to be responsible for International Humanitarian Affairs, including refugee issues and human rights questions.

Miss A. Legrand, originally from Montreal, formerly a Producer with Radio Canada, to be Director of the Canadian Cultural Centre in Paris.

Mr. J. R. McKinney, 54, originally from Summer Hill, New Brunswick, and currently Director General of the Bureau of United States Affairs, to be Special Economic Adviser, particularly on commercial polciy and international energy questions.