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The Department of External Affairs announced today that E.H. Norman will replace J.W. Holmes as Acting Permanent Delegate of Canada to the United Nations in New York. Mr. Holmes, who was sent to New York to replace the late R.G. Riddell on a temporary basis, will return to Ottawa prior to taking up his appointment on the directing staff of the National Defence College, Kingston.

Mr. Norman was born on September 1, 1909. He attended Victoria College, University of Toronto, and Trinity College, Cambridge. He was awarded a three-year Rockefeller Foundation Fellowship; he received the degrees of M.A. and Ph.D. at Harvard Yenching Institute, Harvard University. He also did research on Japanese history at the Institute of Pacific Relations, New York.

Mr. Norman joined the Department of External Affairs at the Canadian Legation in Tokyo in July, 1939; he was interned in Japan from December, 1941, to July, 1942; and returned to Ottawa to engage in Far Eastern work in April, 1943. He was posted to Tokyo as Head of the Canadian Liaison Mission in August, 1946; and returned to Ottawa in the autumn of 1950 as head of the American and Far Eastern Division.