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## ASEAN Ministers Meet Canada's PM Trudeau

CANADA'S Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau hosted a dinner on September 6 in Toronto for the ministers leading the ASEAN delegations at the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank.

The Philippines' Prime Minister and Minister of Finance Cesar Virata, Indonesian Minister of Finance Dr. Ali Wardhana, Singapore's Minister of Trade and Industry Dr. Tony Tan, and the Thai Minister of Finance Sommai Huntrakool were joined by the heads of ASEAN missions in Canada for the evening with Mr. Trudeau at a Toronto restaurant.

Informal discussions during the meal covered a wide-range of economic issues as well as Canada's links with ASEAN.

Prime Minister Trudeau gave the opening address at the IMF and World Bank meeting, which took place in Toronto from September 6-9, to the gathering of heads of government, ministers, officials, bank presidents, and economists representing 146 countries and international agencies. These included the ministers from all five ASEAN countries and their delegations composed of senior financial experts.

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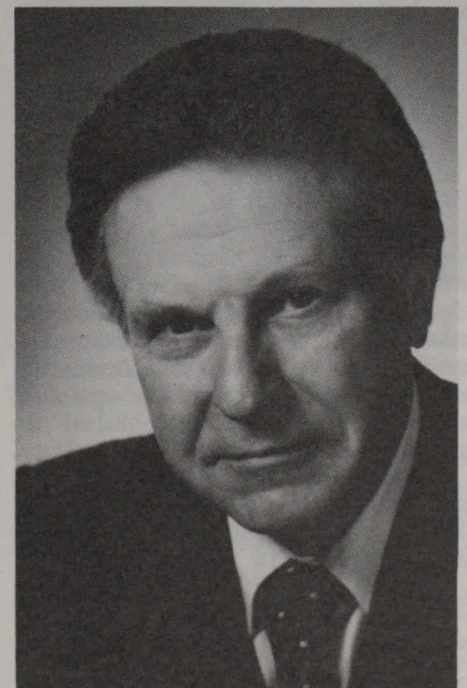
## Canada Has New FM

IN THE September shuffle of Canadian parliamentary Cabinet ministers, Mr. Allan MacEachen was appointed Secretary of State for External Affairs, the post held by Dr. Mark MacGuigan for the past two and a half years.

It is not a new role for Mr. MacEachen. His first appointment as SSEA was in 1974. During that term he served as co-chairman of the 17-nation Conference on International Economic Co-operation and his overseas tours included visits to several ASEAN countries.

Mr. MacEachen was born in Inverness, Nova Scotia. After attaining his Masters Degree from Toronto University, he pursued post-graduate studies in economics and industrial relations at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of Chicago before becoming Professor of Economics at St. Francis Xavier University, Nova Scotia, his first alma mater, in 1945 at the age of 25. He later served as head of the Department of Economics and Social Studies.

Highlights of Mr. MacEachen's parliamentary career include serving as Government House Leader and as chairman of the Committee on the Reform of Parliamentary Procedure (1958-1962), and his appointment as Minister of Manpower and Immigration (1968). In 1970 and again in



*The Honourable Allan MacEachen*

1976 he was named President of the Privy Council and Leader of the Government in the House of Commons. He was appointed Deputy Prime Minister of Canada in 1977 and Deputy Leader of the Opposition and Opposition House Leader in 1979. After the 1980 general election Mr. MacEachen became Deputy Prime Minister and has been Minister of Finance until his most recent appointment.