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The Department of External Affairs today announced the appointment of Mr. E.W.T. Gill as Canadian Ambassador to Ireland. Mr. Gill succeeds Mr. Alfred Rive, who has retired from the public service. At present Canadian High Commissioner to Australia, Mr. Gill will be taking up his duties in Dublin early in the new year.

Born in Ottawa on November 2, 1902, Mr. Gill was educated at the Royal Military College, Kingston, and at McGill University. He joined the Canadian Army in 1940, and from 1944-46 was Secretary to the Chief of Staff Committee and Member of the Cabinet Secretariat. After his discharge in 1946, Mr. Gill was Privy Council Officer and Secretary to the Cabinet Defence Committee and other Cabinet Committees. In 1950, he joined the Department of External Affairs, and served as Alternate Canadian Representative on the North Atlantic Defence Production Board in London.

In 1954 Mr. Gill was appointed High Commissioner to South Africa, and, in 1957, High Commissioner to Ghana. In 1959, he was named Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, and was appointed High Commissioner to Australia in 1962.

Mr. Gill is married, and has three children.