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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, today announced the appointment of Mr. Geoffrey Stuart Murray as Deputy High Commissioner in London. Mr. Murray, at present Head of the United Nations Division in the Department, will succeed Mr. Benjamin Rogers, whose appointment as Ambassador to Spain and Morocco was recently announced.

Mr. Murray was born in St. Lambert, P.Q., August 29, 1918, and studied at Bishop's and McGill Universities. He joined the Canadian Army in 1940 and served in the United Kingdom, Italy and Northwestern Europe. He received his discharge, with the rank of Lieutenant, in 1946 and was called to the Bar of Quebec in 1948.

Mr. Murray joined the Department of External Affairs in October 1948 and served in Karachi, 1950-52, and at the Canadian Permanent Mission to the United Nations, 1955-58. In July 1958 Mr. Murray was seconded to the United Nations Secretariat as Director, Political and Security Council Affairs Department. He returned to Ottawa at the beginning of 1960 and since that time has been Head of the United Nations in the Department.

Mr. Murray is married.

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