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The Department of External Affairs announced today that His Excellency Harold Eeman presented to His Excellency the Governor General his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Belgium to Canada. The ceremony took place at Government House.

The Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Jules Léger, was in attendance on the Governor General on this occasion. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. E. D'Arcy McGreer, presented the Ambassador to the Governor General. The Ambassador was accompanied by Prince Werner de Mérode, Counsellor; Lieutenant-Colonel Comte François de Hemricourt de Grunne, Military, Naval and Air Attaché; Mr. Marcel Lonny, First Secretary; Mr. Joseph A. Pieters, Attaché. Mr. J. F. Delaute, Secretary to the Governor General (Administrative) was also present.

Mr. Eeman was born in 1893. He is a graduate of the University of Ghent in Commercial and Consular Science, and also studied philosophy and letters at the same university. Since his entry into the Belgian Foreign Service, he has served in various capacities at Ottawa, Cairo, Capetown, Athens, Copenhagen, Helsinki, Moscow, Teheran, Addis-Ababa and Warsaw. He has also held several posts in the Belgian Foreign Ministry. Before being appointed to Canada, Mr. Eeman was Ambassador to Egypt.

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