

Mr. Paul Gerin-Lajoie

Mr. Gerin-Lajoie became President of the Canadian International Development Agency on November 16, 1970. He left the Federal Government's Prices and Incomes Commission where he had been Vice-Chairman to succeed CIDA's first President Maurice F. Strong, who became the U.N. Under-Secretary General for Environmental Affairs with responsibility for arranging the International Conference on the Human Environment which will be held in Stockholm in 1972.

Prior to that Mr. Gerin-Lajoie had been the first Minister of Education for the Province of Quebec, where he was responsible for a program of growth and modernization in the Province's school system, and did much to promote international co-operation in education. A Rhodes scholar, he has published many works on economic and political subjects, including a well-known study on constitutional law, and has represented Canada at many international conferences. He has served during his career as President of the Junior Bar of Canada, legal counsel for many government commissions of enquiry, member of the Quebec Legislature for nine years, and Vice-Prime Minister of Quebec for two years.



The CIDA President in discussion with Dr. I. G. Patel, Secretary in the Dept. of Economic Affairs and the Canadian High Commissioner, Mr. James George.



Prime Minister Indira Gandhi greets Mr. Gerin-Lajoie.