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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TODAY ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS WITHIN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE:

DR. PHILIPPE PANNETON, PHYSICIAN AND WRITER, HAS BEEN NAMED AMBASSADOR TO PORTUGAL TO SUCCEED THE HONOURABLE V.F.A. TURGEON, WHO IS RETIRING FROM THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE. DR. PANNETON IS EXPECTED TO TAKE UP HIS DUTIES EARLY IN MARCH 1957.

THE PRESENT AMBASSADOR TO GREECE AND ISRAEL, MR. T.W.L. MACDERMOT HAS BEEN NAMED CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER TO AUSTRALIA. HE WILL REPLACE MR. W.A. IRWIN, WHOSE APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR TO BRAZIL WAS ANNOUNCED RECENTLY. MR. MACDERMOT WILL TAKE UP HIS DUTIES IN AUSTRALIA EARLY IN THE SPRING.

MR. R.A.D. FORD, WHO HAS BEEN SERVING WITH THE DEPARTMENT IN OTTAWA AS HEAD OF THE EUROPEAN DIVISION, HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS AMBASSADOR TO COLOMBIA. IT IS EXPECTED THAT MR. FORD WILL TAKE UP HIS APPOINTMENT IN MARCH. HE SUCCEEDS MR. EDMOND TURCOTTE WHO HAS BEEN ON LOAN FROM THE DEPARTMENT AS ONE OF THE THREE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE ROYAL COMMISSION ON BROADCASTING.

MR. D. LEO DOLAN, DIRECTOR OF THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT TRAVEL BUREAU SINCE 1934, HAS BEEN APPOINTED CONSUL GENERAL AT LOS ANGELES, TO SUCCEED MR. L.G. CHANCE WHO WILL BE RETIRING. MR. DOLAN IS EXPECTED TO TAKE UP HIS NEW DUTIES IN EARLY SPRING.

MR. K.J. BURBRIDGE, AT PRESENT MINISTER-COUNSELLOR OF THE CANADIAN DELEGATION TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL IN PARIS, HAS BEEN APPOINTED CONSUL GENERAL AT SEATTLE WHERE HE WILL SUCCEED MR. C.N. SENIOR, WHO IS RETIRING FROM THE SERVICE. IT IS EXPECTED THAT MR. BURBRIDGE WILL TAKE UP HIS APPOINTMENT NEXT APRIL.

MR. MARCEL CADIEUX HAS BEEN APPOINTED ACTING LEGAL ADVISER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TO SUCCEED MR. H.M. VERSHOF WHO WAS RECENTLY APPOINTED PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE AT THE CANADIAN MISSION TO THE EUROPEAN OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

## DR. PHILIPPE PANNETON

DR. PANNETON WAS BORN AT TROIS RIVIERES, QUEBEC, ON APRIL 30, 1895. HE ATTENDED LAVAL UNIVERSITY AND RECEIVED HIS M.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTREAL IN 1920. HE SERVED ON THE STAFF OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTREAL AND ON THE STAFF OF NOTRE DAME HOSPITAL IN MONTREAL. A WELL KNOWN WRITER UNDER THE PSEUDONYM OF "RINGUET" HE WAS AWARDED THE PRIX DE L'ACADEMIE FRANCAISE IN 1940, AND IN THE SAME YEAR THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S AWARD AND THE PRIX DES VIKINGS (PARIS). IN 1924 AND 1940 HE WAS AWARDED THE PRIX DAVID (QUEBEC). DR. PANNETON ALSO HAS CONTRIBUTED NUMEROUS SCIENTIFIC PAPERS TO VARIOUS TECHNICAL JOURNALS. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE CANADIAN DELEGATION TO THE EIGHTH SESSION OF UNESCO HELD IN MONTEVIDEO IN NOVEMBER 1954. DR. PANNETON IS MARRIED.

## MR. TERRENCE WILLIAM LEIGHTON MACDERMOT

MR. MACDERMOT WAS BORN IN JAMAICA ON SEPTEMBER 13, 1896. HE RECEIVED HIS B.A. DEGREE FROM MCGILL UNIVERSITY AND A B.A. AND M.A. FROM OXFORD UNIVERSITY. DURING THE FIRST WORLD WAR HE SERVED IN THE CANADIAN ARMY IN EUROPE. MR. MACDERMOT WAS ON THE STAFF OF LOWER CANADA COLLEGE IN MONTREAL FROM 1923 TO 1929 AND WAS ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY FROM 1929 TO 1934. HE SERVED AS NATIONAL SECRETARY, LEAGUE OF NATIONS SOCIETY, OTTAWA, IN