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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Howard Green, announced today that the Canadian Government in co-operation with the Canadian Universities Foundation has nominated two observers to attend the Conference on the Development of Higher Education in Africa to be held at Tananarive from September 3 to 12, 1962. This Conference is being convened by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (Unesco) at the invitation of the Malagasy Republic.

The object of the Conference is to study and encourage the development of higher education in Africa. It will play an important rôle in the programme for the extension of education systems proposed at the Conference of African States on the development of education in Africa held in Addis Ababa in May 1961 to which the Canadian Government sent an observer. In view of the increasing interest of Canadian universities in the development of higher education in Africa the Government is pleased to co-operate with the Foundation in having Canadian representatives attend the Tananarive Conference.

The Canadian observers to the Conference will be:

Msgr. Louis-Albert Vachon,  
Rector,  
Laval University,  
Quebec.

Dr. E. F. Sheffield,  
Research Officer and Acting-Director,  
International Programmes Division,  
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