

Mr. Charles William (Bill) Ross born in Portage la Prairie (Manitoba), as Consul General in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

Mr. Ross [B.Sc., University of Manitoba, 1966; diploma Management science, University of Ottawa - 1972] joined the Trade Commissioner Service in 1966. In Ottawa, with the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, he worked in the Appliances & Commercial Machinery Division; as Project Coordinator, Chemicals Branch; as Project Coordinator, Market Development Group; on the China Task Force from 1971 to 1972; as Regional Coordinator, Asia and Pacific, from 1972 to 1973; as Assistant Chief, Pacific Division, from 1973 to 1975; as Chief, Textiles & Clothing Policy from 1979 to 1980; as Director, Caribbean & Central American Division from 1980 to 1981; and Director, South America Trade Development Division from 1981 to 1984. He has served abroad in Brasilia as Counsellor (Commercial) from 1975 to 1978; in Rio de Janeiro, as Consul General, from 1984 to 1985; and in Perth, Consul General from 1985 to 1987. He has been Minister-Counsellor (Commercial) in The Hague since 1987. He is married to Judith Ross. They have three children. Mr. Ross replaces Mr. N.J.L. Villeneuve.

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Mr. André S. Simard, born in Montréal (Québec), as Ambassador to the Republic of the Philippines.

Mr. Simard [B.A. Education, Collège Ste-Thérèse de Blainville/ Collège Ste-Croix; M.A. Law, University of Montréal; Certificate in International Law, Academy of International Law of the Hague] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1967. In Ottawa, he worked in the Europe Division; in the Defence Liaison Division; in the Cultural Affairs Division and in the Federal-Provincial Relations Coordination Division. He was Head of the Nuclear Section, Transport Communications and Energy Division in 1976 and 1977; Official Spokesman and Director, Press Office, from 1977 to 1981; Director, Pacific Relations Division, from 1984 to 1986; and Director, Japan Relations Division, in 1986 and 1987. He served abroad in Tokyo, Saigon, Tunis and in Bangkok as Counsellor and Consul from 1981 to 1984, and has been Ambassador to Cameroon since 1987. He is married to Sabine Théodas Simard; the couple have two children. Mr. Simard replaces Mr. R.H. Davidson.

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