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APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE

External Affairs Minister Barbara McDougall today announced the appointment of Jocelyne Côté-O'Hara and the reappointment of Jean-Guy Paquet to the Board of Governors of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), for a four-year mandate. Dr. Paquet has been on the Board since 1988.

Mrs. Jocelyne Côté-O'Hara is currently President and Chief Executive Officer, Stentor Telecom Policy Inc., the policy advisory arm for Canada's major telephone companies. 1985, she has also been Vice-President, Government Relations, with B.C. Tel. She has served as special advisor to the Chairman of Petro-Canada International Assistance Corporation and has held senior positions with various federal and provincial government departments.

Dr. Jean-Guy Paquet has been President of Laurentian Life Inc. since 1987. He has a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from Laval University, where he taught from 1963 to 1977 and then served as Rector until 1987. Dr. Paquet has served on many scientific and academic boards, such as the Council of Commonwealth Universities and the Association canadiennefrançaise pour l'avancement des sciences. He has received many distinctions, including honorary degrees from McGill and York universities and the Technical University of Nova Scotia. He was named a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada, made an Officer of the Ordre national du Québec and awarded the medal of the Ordre de la Pléiade.

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