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THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WILL BE REPRESENTED BY MR. T. LEM. CARTER, CANADIAN COMMISSIONER DESIGNATE TO NIGERIA, AT THE INDEPENDENCE CEREMONIES FOR THE REPUBLIC OF TOGO FROM APRIL 25 TO 28.

THE REPUBLIC OF TOGO WHICH LIES DIRECTLY TO THE EAST OF GHANA ON THE WEST COAST OF AFRICA, WAS FORMERLY A GERMAN COLONY AND HAS BEEN ADMINISTERED BY FRANCE SINCE WORLD WAR I, FIRST UNDER A LEAGUE OF NATIONS MANDATE AND SUBSEQUENTLY AS A TRUST TERRITORY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT WAS ELECTED BY UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE IN 1958. THE PRIME MINISTER IS MR SYLVANUS OLYMPIO.