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The Department of External Affairs today announced changes in its arrangement of legal responsibilities. Mr. Max Wershof, Q.C., LL.D., Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, will be the Department's Legal Adviser, replacing Mr. Marcel Cadieux, who has been appointed Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs. Mr. H. Courtney Kingstone, of the Department's Legal Division, has been designated Counsel for Canada before the International Joint Commission, in succession to Mr. Wershof.

Mr. Wershof was born in Ottawa in 1909. After receiving his B.A. and LL.D from the University of Alberta he was called to the Bar of Alberta in 1932 and practised law there from 1932-36. He joined the Department of External Affairs in 1937 and served in Washington from 1943 to 1944 and in London from 1948 to 1950 when he was named to the Imperial Defence College. He returned to Ottawa in 1951 and was appointed Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and Legal Adviser in January 1954. In 1955 he was created a Queen's Counsel. In December 1956 he was appointed Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the European Office of the United Nations in Geneva, and concurrently served as Canadian member of the Board of Governors of the International Energy Agency in Vienna, and as Vice-Chairman of the Board in