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## CANADA APPOINTS NEW COMMISSIONERS TO INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, today announced the appointment of two new commissioners to the International Joint Commission (IJC). James A. Macaulay, Q.C. and Gordon W. Walker, Q.C. will each begin three-year terms with the Commission, effective immediately.

"The IJC has played an important role in the transboundary environmental relationship between Canada and the United States for over 80 years," said Mrs. McDougall. "It has proven to be an effective binational organization for addressing water quantity, quality, and air pollution concerns."

Mrs. McDougall also expressed her appreciation to the outgoing commissioners, the Honourable E. Davie Fulton, P.C., Q.C. and Robert Welch, Q.C., for their service to the IJC.

The International Joint Commission was created by the Boundary Waters Treaty of 1909. The Commission is made up of three commissioners from Canada and three from the United States. It administers the Boundary Waters Treaty and has an important responsibility in implementing the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

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