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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, today announced the appointment of Mr. Benjamin Rogers, at present Deputy High Commissioner in London, to be Canadian Ambassador to Spain and Morroco. Mr. Rogers succeeds Mr. Jean Bruchési, whose appointment as Ambassador to Argentina, Paraguay and Uruguay was recently announced.

Mr. Rogers was born at Vernon, B.C., in 1911 and studied at Dalhousie University and the London School of Economics. He was Secretary of the Chatham House Study Group of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, London, in 1936, and Acting National Secretary of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs, From 1937-38. Mr. Rogers joined the Department of External Affairs in 1938, and has served abroad in Canberra, Washington and Rio de Janeiro. He was Chargé d'Affaires at Prague from 1950-52, Ambassador to Peru from 1955-57, and Ambassador to Turkey from 1958-60. Mr. Rogers was appointed Deputy High Commissioner in London in 1960. Mr. Rogers is married and has one child.