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His Excellency Usman Sastroamidjoyo presented today to His Excellency the Governor General his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Indonesia to Canada. The ceremony of presentation took place at Government House.

The Acting Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. R.A. MacKay, was in attendance on the Governor General on this occasion. The Chief of Protocol, Mr. H.F. Feaver, presented the Ambassador to the Governor General. The Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. Suyoto Suryo-di-Puro, First Secretary of his Embassy. Mr. Lionel Massey, Secretary to the Governor General, was also present.

Mr. Sastroamidjoyo received the degree of Doctor of Laws from Leiden University, Holland, in 1934. He practised law at Bandung, Indonesia, from 1935 to 1945, when he became a member of the Provisional Parliament of the Republic of Indonesia. His career in the Indonesian Foreign Service began in 1947, when he was appointed as the first envoy of the Republic of Indonesia to Australia. Since then he has held various posts in the Indonesian Foreign Ministry. From 1951 to 1952 he served as delegate, with the rank of Ambassador, to the Sixth General Assembly of the United Nations in Paris. Prior to his appointment as Ambassador to Canada, he was Special Assistant to the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
