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WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 1960.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, THE HONOURABLE HOWARD GREEN, ANNOUNCED TODAY THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. JAMES GEORGE AS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA TO CEYLON. MR. GEORGE SUCCEEDS MR. R.G. (NIK) CAVELL WHO WILL SHORTLY BE RETIRING FROM THE CANADIAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE.

MR. GEORGE JOINED THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN 1945. HE SERVED ABROAD IN ATHENS, AND WITH THE PERMANENT MISSION OF CANADA TO THE UNITED NATIONS IN NEW YORK. HE IS AT PRESENT SERVING IN PARIS WITH THE DELEGATION OF CANADA TO THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL.

MR. GEORGE WAS BORN IN TORONTO IN 1918 AND IS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO. HE ALSO STUDIED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GRENOBLE, FRANCE AND AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY WHICH HE ATTENDED AS A RHODES SCHOLAR.

MR. GEORGE JOINED THE ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY VOLUNTEER RESERVE AS AN ORDINARY SEAMAN IN 1940. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED KINGDOM, IN THE ATLANTIC AND THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA. HE WAS DISCHARGED IN 1945 AS LIEUTENANT COMMANDER.

MR. GEORGE IS MARRIED AND HAS THREE CHILDREN. HE WILL TAKE UP HIS NEW DUTIES SHORTLY.