The following changes took place during 1950 in the direction of Canadian Missions abroad: Mr. D. M. Johnson became the first High Commissioner for Canada to Pakistan on January 20; Mr. E. Vaillancourt was appointed Canadian Ambassador to Peru on March 4, replacing Mr. J. A. Strong; Mr. E. B. Rogers became Chargé d'Affaires of the Canadian Legation, Prague, Czechoslovakia, on May 19, replacing Mr. R. M. MacDonnell; Mr. G. G. Crean became Chargé d'Affaires of the Canadian Legation, Belgrade, Yugoslavia, on June 9, replacing Mr. E. Vaillancourt; Dr. Victor Doré, C.M.G., was appointed Canadian Minister to Switzerland on June 13, replacing Mr. P. E. Renaud, Chargé d'Affaires; Lt. General M. Pope, C.B., M.C., was appointed Ambassador to Belgium on June 16, replacing Dr. Doré; Mr. T. C. Davis, K.C., became Head of Mission with rank of Ambassador, in Germany, October 27, replacing Lt. Gen. Pope; Mr. R. G. Riddell was appointed Permanent Delegate to the United Nations, New York, on August 1, replacing General A. G. L. McNaughton; Mr. T. W. L. MacDermot became High Commissioner for Canada to the Union of South Africa, August 2, replacing Mr. E. D. McGreer; Mr. D. S. Cole became Canadian Consul General, Chicago, Illinois, August 16, replacing Mr. E. Turcotte; Mr. E. D. McGreer was appointed Chargé d'Affaires of the Canadian Legation, Poland, on August 25, replacing Mr. K. P. Kirkwood; Dr. E. H. Coleman, C.M.G., K.C., was re-designated Canadian Ambassador to Cuba on September 5; Mr. S. D. Pierce became Canadian Representative to the OEEC, Paris, with rank of Ambassador, September 22; Mr. Edmond Turcotte became Consul General, Caracas, Venezuela, on September 24; Mr. W. S. Durdin was appointed Consul at Frankfurt, Germany, on October 27, replacing Mr. A. J. Hicks; Mr. A. R. Menzies became Head of Canadian Liaison Mission, Japan, on November 18, replacing Dr. E. H. Norman; Dr. H. Laureys, Minister to Denmark, retired on December 11.

In addition to the above, Mr. T. F. M. Newton, formerly Consul for Canada at Boston, U.S.A., was appointed Director of Information of the North Atlantic Council, London, on September 14.

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Canadian missions abroad are an integral part of the Department. Heads of mission report to the Secretary of State for External Affairs and receive their instructions from him.

Officers of other departments of the Canadian Government — commercial secretaries, military, naval, air or special attachés — are attached to some missions. Though responsible to the heads of their own departments in Ottawa, they work under the general supervision and direction of the head of the mission, who is the representative of the Canadian Government.