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The Secretary of State for External Affairs today announced the following appointments and transfers within the Canadian Diplomatic Service:

Mr. K.P. Kirkwood, Canadian Ambassador to Egypt and concurrently Canadian Minister to Lebanon, will succeed Mr. E.H. Norman as Canadian High Commissioner to New Zealand, and is expected to take up his appointment in mid-summer of this year.

Mr. Norman will succeed Mr. Kirkwood as Canadian Ambassador to Egypt and Canadian Minister to Lebanon. Mr. Norman is expected to take up his new duties during the summer.

Mr. J.B.C. Watkins, Canadian Ambassador to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, will return to Canada to become Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, effective June 4.

Mr. D.M. Johnson, Canadian Commissioner on the International Supervisory Commission for Vietnam, will succeed Mr. Watkins as Canadian Ambassador in Moscow. Mr. Johnson will take up his appointment in July.
