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Ottawa, February 9, 1948.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs today announced the appointment of Mr. Charles P. Hébert as Canadian Minister in Cuba. He succeeds Mr. Emile Vaillancourt who has been appointed Canadian Minister in Yugoslavia. Mr. Hébert has recently returned from Havana where he was Canadian Delegate to the International Trade and Employment Organization Conference.

Mr. Hébert was educated at Mount St. Louis Collegiate and at McGill University, Montreal, and New College, Oxford. He was a member of the Canadian Tariff Board and a Commissioner on the Trade and Industry Commission. He was later on the staff of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.

During the War he served as an officer in the Fusiliers

Mont Royal in Iceland, the United Kingdom, Sicily, Italy and Northwest Europe. He was appointed Military Attaché to the Canadian

Missions in Brussels and The Hague. After his return to Canada he
was appointed Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Washington,
and later was in the Economic Division of the Department of External

Affairs. Mr. Hébert is married.

He will proceed to his new post at the end of February.