

The Department of External Affairs announced today the appointment of Mr. Ronald J. Sutherland, 43, of Montreal, as Chief of the Passport Office, effective September 15. Mr. Sutherland is at present Director of the Base Consolidation Program, Logistics Division, Department of National Defence, Ottawa. Mr. Sutherland will be replacing Mr. Willson S. Durdin who will become a Special Consultant to the Department on several projects now under study by the Passport Office.

RONALD J. SUTHERLAND

Mr. Sutherland was born in Montreal, Quebec, on March 22, 1927. He attended Loyola College from which he received a B.A. degree in 1949. He had further education at McGill University in Accounting, Carleton University in Public Administration.

Mr. Sutherland worked in the Audit and Taxation Division of the Imperial Tobacco Company (1949-51). He joined the Department of National Defence in 1951. He was Superintendent of Parliamentary Returns (1951-53); Assistant to Associate Deputy Minister (Overseas) London, England (1953-56); Staff Member, Assistant Deputy Minister (Finance) (1956-60); Financial Adviser (Overseas) at Office of the High Commissioner in the United Kingdom (1960-64); Departmental Secretary from 1964 to 1968; Director of the Base Consolidation Program, Logistics Division (1969 to present).

Mr. Sutherland is married to Sheila Catherine Drury and has four children.