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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Don Jamieson, announces the following appointments:

T. J. (Ted) Arcand, 44, originally from Bonnyville, Alberta, to be Ambassador to Lebanon and concurrently to Syria and Jordan. Mr. Arcand (B.A. McMaster University) joined External Affairs in 1958. He has served abroad in Prague, Yaoundé, Copenhagen, Dar-es-Salaam and the Holy See.

He replaces André Couvrette who has returned to Canada as Chief of Protocol.

Yvon Beaulne, 59, originally from Ottawa, to be Ambassador to the Holy See. Mr. Beaulne (B.A. Ph.L. University of Ottawa) joined External Affairs in 1948 and has served abroad in Rome, Buenos Aires, Havana and as Ambassador to Venezuela and the Dominican Republic. He was subsequently appointed Minister in Washington and in 1967 Canada's Ambassador to Brazil. In 1969 he was appointed Canada's Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York. Since 1976 he has been Canada's Ambassador and Permanent Delegate to UNESCO and Representative to the United Nations Human Rights Commission.

Mr. Beaulne replaces Paul Tremblay who recently returned to Canada.

Robert M. Middleton, 47, originally from Vernon, British Columbia, to be Ambassador to South Africa and concurrently High Commissioner to Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland. Mr. Middleton (B.A. (Hon.) University of British Columbia) joined External Affairs in 1955 and has served abroad in Jakarta, Rio de Janeiro and Washington. He has also participated in United Nations conferences in Geneva and New York. Since 1976 he has been High Commissioner to Ghana with dual accreditations to Bénin, Liberia and Togo.

Mr. Middleton replaces G. K. Grande.