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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announces the following diplomatic appointment:

Mr. Jacques J. A. Asselin (58), born in Montreal, Quebec, as Ambassador to Belgium with concurrent accreditation to Luxembourg.

Mr. Asselin [B.A., University of Ottawa, 1952; M.A., University of Montreal, 1955] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1957. He has served abroad in Mexico, Washington, Moscow, Paris; and as Ambassador to Senegal from 1977 to 1980. He was Executive Assistant to the Commissioner General for EXPO 67 from 1963 to 1967. In Ottawa he was Director of the Press Office from 1974 to 1975; Director of Cultural Affairs from 1975 to 1977; Director General of Consular Services from 1980 to 1982; and Assistant Under-Secretary of State for Federal-Provincial Relations from 1982 to 1984. He has been Consul General in Seattle since 1984. Mr. Asselin replaces Mr. M. F. Yalden, who has returned to Canada.