

J.M. Cook, has been posted from the American and Far Eastern Division to the Canadian Embassy, Lima, Peru.

TEMPORARY DUTY:

G. Ignatieff, reported for temporary duty in the United Nations Division, September 15, 1948.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

R.A. Crepault will be absent from the department for a period of ten months commencing September 20, 1948.

APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS OF REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER COUNTRIES

DIPLOMATIC

Lieutenant-Colonel Pertev Gokçe, Military Attaché, Embassy of Turkey, was promoted to the rank of Colonel August 31.

The Government of Poland agreed to undertake the protection of Hungarian interests in Canada when the Government of Sweden relinquished this responsibility September 1.

His Excellency Francisque Gay, Ambassador of France, resumed charge of the Embassy, September 3, after a tour of the western provinces. He left Ottawa September 24 for a tour of the Maritime Provinces. During his absence Mr. Jean Basdevant, Counsellor, is in charge of the affairs of the Mission.

His Excellency Dr. J.H. van Roijen, Ambassador of the Netherlands, left Ottawa for Paris September 8 to attend the Third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. In his absence, Jonkheer G. Beelearts van Blokland, Counsellor, is Chargé d'Affaires ad interim.

His Excellency Alfredo Benavides, Ambassador of Peru, became Dean of the Diplomatic Corps on the departure of the Honourable Ray Atherton at the end of August. The Diplomatic Corps, led by Mr. Benavides, and High Commissioners of Commonwealth countries called on the newly appointed Secretary of State for External Affairs, Honourable L.B. Pearson, on Monday, September 14.

His Excellency Count Carlo Fecia di Cossato, Minister of Italy, left September 22 for Havana, where he has been appointed Italian Minister in Cuba. Mario Majoli, First Secretary, is Chargé d'Affaires ad interim pending the presentation of the Letter of Credence by the new Ambassador of Italy, His Excellency Mario di Stefano.

His Excellency Liu Chieh, Ambassador of China, left Ottawa for Paris September 25, to attend the Third Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. In his absence Dr. Huang Ting Young, Counsellor, is in charge of the Embassy.

His Excellency Dr. Victor Nef, Minister of Switzerland, resumed charge of the Legation September 25 on his return from Switzerland.

Official notes have been received from the Yugoslav Minister informing the Department that Mr. Branko Vukelic, Counsellor, left Canada on June 26, 1948, for Yugoslavia, and that Mr. Pavle Lukin, Counsellor, left the service of the Legation on September 25, 1948.