

Mr. Jacques Gignac (57), born in Shawinigan, Quebec, as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the Office of the United Nations in Vienna, Austria.

Mr. Gignac [B.A., Collège Jean-de-Brébeuf, Montreal, 1949; Th.L., Institut catholique de Paris, 1957; L.Sc.S., Institut catholique de Paris, 1957; L.L., Sorbonne, 1957; Sociology, University of Montreal, 1958] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1958. He has served abroad in Boston and Paris; from 1970 to 1974, he was Ambassador to Lebanon; from 1974 to 1977, Ambassador to Tunisia. In Ottawa, from 1978 to 1979, he was Director General, Caribbean and Latin America Affairs; and from 1979 to 1981, Assistant Under Secretary of State for Latin America-Mid Eastern and Social Affairs; and from 1981 to 1982, Deputy Under-Secretary for Multilateral, Social and Cultural Affairs. Since 1982, Mr. Gignac has been Ambassador and Head of Mission to the European Communities in Brussels.

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Mr. Michael Shenstone (57), born in Toronto, Ontario, as Head of Delegation and Ambassador to the Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction Talks in Vienna, while continuing as Ambassador to Austria as announced in September 1985.

Mr. Shenstone [B.A., University of Toronto, 1949; M.A., Cambridge University, 1951; University of Paris (Sorbonne), 1952] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1952. He has served abroad in Beirut, Cairo and Washington. In Ottawa from 1967 to 1972, he served in the Defence Liaison Division, as Head, Peacekeeping and Military Assistance Division; as Head, North American Defence and North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) Division; and as Director, Defence Relations Division. In 1972, he was appointed Minister-Counsellor, London, and Senior Political Adviser, Canadian Delegation to the Multilateral Preparatory Talks for the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE) in Helsinki. From 1973 to 1974, Mr. Shenstone was Head of Delegation and Ambassador to the CSCE, Geneva; from 1974 to 1976, Ambassador to Saudi Arabia; from 1976 to 1983, he was Director General, African and Middle Eastern Affairs; and from 1983 to 1985, he was Assistant Deputy Minister, Political and International Security Affairs.