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## Departmental Press Office

The Department of External Affairs today announced the appointment of Mr. J. R. Francis, Deputy Head of the Press Office, to be the new Head of the Department's Press Office, effective June 10.

Mr. Francis will be replacing Mr. D'I. Fortier, who has been assigned to other duties in the Department.

Mr. Francis was born in Winnipeg on October 3, 1930, and attended the University of Manitoba and Oxford University. He joined the Department of External Affairs in 1954 and has served in Laos, South Africa and Indonesia.

Mr. Francis is married to the former Ardath Matheson of Toronto. They have 4 children.