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The Secretary of State for External Affairs announced today the appointment of Mr. George Loranger Magann as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Canada to Greece to succeed Major General the Honourable L.R. LaFlèche, D.S.O., who has been appointed High Commissioner for Canada in Australia.

Mr. Magann was born at Toronto, Ontario, May 6, 1892. He was educated at Oratory College in England, Loyola College, Montreal, Trinity College, Port Hope, and graduated from the Royal Military College, Kingston in 1913. He also attended the School of Practical Science at the University of Toronto. He served in the first World War from 1915 to 1919.

Before joining the Department of External Affairs in October, 1941, Mr. Magann was engaged in business as partner and manager of G.L. Magann and Company, Toronto, and as Director of Anglin Norcross Corporation, Montreal. In October, 1941, Mr. Magann was appointed Special Assistant at the Canadian Legation in Washington. He represented Canada in the exchanges of disabled prisoners of war at Barcelona, Spain, in May, 1944; Gottenburg, Sweden, September, 1944; and Marseilles, France, in January, 1945. In April, 1945, he was posted to the Canadian Embassy in Paris with the rank of Counsellor and was transferred to the Canadian Embassy in Washington in January, 1947, serving in the same capacity.

Mr. Magann attended the League of Nations Assembly in Geneva in 1946 as an adviser to the Canadian Delegation.

Mr. Magann was married in 1921 to Grace Isabelle George. They have two daughters.