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The Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs today announced the following transfers within the Canadian Diplomatic Service:

R.M. Macdonnell, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, will become Deputy Under-Segretary of State for External Affairs, effective August 1.

D.M. Johnson, the Canadian Permanent Representative to the United Nations will succeed Brigadier Sherwood Lett as Canadian Commissioner on the International Supervisory Commission for Vietnam. Mr. Johnson is expected to take up his new duties in August. The appointment of Dr. R.A. Mackay to succeed Mr. Johnson in New York was announced on June 1. Mr. Lett is expected to return to Canada to resume his private law practice about the middle of July.

Mr. Arnold C. Smith, Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, will succeed Rudolph Duder as Canadian Commissioner on the International Supervisory Commission for Cambodia, effective August 1. Mr. Duder has recently returned to Canada and will succeed Alfred Rive as Foreign Service Member of the Directing Staff of the National Defence College in September. An announcement concerning Mr. Rive's next assignment will be made shortly.