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His Excellency Dr. Alfred Zehnder today presented his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Switzerland to Canada.

The ceremony took place at Government House at 11.00 a.m. Mr. Jean Côté of the Protocol Division, Department of External Affairs, presented the Ambassador to His Excellency the Governor-General. Mr. G.P. De T. Glazebrook, Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs, and Mr. Esmond Butler, Secretary to the Governor-General, were in attendance on the Governor-General on this occasion.

The Ambassador was accompanied by the following members of his staff:

Dr. Jean Widmer, Counsellor Mr. Charles H. Steinhauslin, Secretary Colonel Werner Koch, Military and Air Attaché.

Dr. Zehnder has been in the Swiss diplomatic service since 1925. He was Ambassador of Switzerland to the Soviet Union before his appointment as Ambassador to Canada. Dr. Zehnder is married.