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The Department of External Affairs announced that Mr. Atilio Garcia Mellid presented today to His Excellency the Governor General at Government House, his Letter of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Argentina in Canada.

Mr. Brooke Claxton, Acting Secretary of State for External Affairs was present. Mr. Erasto M. Villa, Counsellor of the Argentine Embassy and Commodore Arturo Francisco Grassi, Air Attache, accompanied the Ambassador. Mr. Howard Measures, Chief of Protocol, Department of External Affairs, presented Mr. Garcia Mellid to His Excellency the Governor General.

Mr. Garcia Mellid was born in Buenos Aires in 1901. A former professor, Mr. Garcia Mellid is a writer. His activities in that field include work on several daily newspapers and magazines in his own country and abroad and the publication of several books of poetry, history and essays. He entered the Argentine Diplomatic Service in 1946 as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary and was later promoted to the rank of Ambassador. He was attached to the Political Division of the Department of External Affairs of Argentina and later became Director of the Cultural Division, a position which he held until he was appointed Ambassador to Canada.