

sons, the building is designed so that all staff and visitors enter through the main lobby, the main access to which will be through a landscaped driveway and covered walkway. Visiting delegations attending international conferences can be received in the main lobby and proceed readily to the conference complex located at the same level, adjacent to the lobby. The conference centre will not be limited to the needs of the External Affairs Department but will be used also by other departments and agencies of the Federal Government. The main function of the centre is that of accommodating small international conferences, and warrants the installation of such facilities as simultaneous translation, special lighting for television and a complete range of audio-visual equipment.

The joint venture of the Foundation Company of Canada and Janin Building and Civil Works Limited are scheduling completion of the main tower for the end of 1971. This would mean that the External Affairs Department will move into its new headquarters in the early part of 1972 and possibly sooner.

## DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Mitchell Sharp, has announced the appointment of the following senior officers of the Departments of External Affairs and of Industry, Trade and Commerce as heads of post of Canadian diplomatic missions:

Mr. Alfred P. Bissonnet, Ambassador in Indonesia, to become Canadian Ambassador to Argentina, succeeding Mr. Robert Choquette. Mr. Bissonnet is a former Director of the Trade Commissioner Service.

Mr. Kenneth C. Brown, deputy head of European Division of the Department of External Affairs, to become Ambassador to Cuba, replacing Mr. Léon Mayrand.

Mr. Pierre Charpentier, the Department of External Affairs' "university visitor" at Laval University during the last academic year, to become Ambassador to Peru and to Bolivia, replacing Mr. François Houde.

Mr. W. Thomas Delworth, of the Far Eastern Division, Department of External Affairs, to be Ambassador to Indonesia, replacing Mr. A. Bissonnet.

Mr. John A. Dougan, High Commissioner to Guyana, to become High Commissioner to New Zealand, succeeding Mr. R.M. Macdonnell.

Mr. Sidney A. Freifeld, who recently completed a tour of duty as Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of the Embassy in Montevideo, to become Ambassador to Colombia, replacing Mr. J.H. Cleveland.

Mr. François-Zavier Houde, Ambassador to Peru and to Bolivia, to become Consul General in Boston, replacing Mr. S.D. Hemsley.

Mr. Ronald M. Macdonnell, High Commissioner to New Zealand, to become High Commissioner to Ceylon, replacing Mr. John Timmerman.

Mr. Allan S. McGill, Senior Departmental Assistant to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, to become Canadian High Commissioner to Nigeria, replacing Mr. Paul Malone.

Mr. Donald S. McPhail, head of the Commercial Policy Division, Department of External Affairs, to become Ambassador to Venezuela, replacing Mr. Bruce I. Rankin.

Mr. Bruce Rankin, Ambassador to Venezuela and the Dominican Republic, to become Consul General in New York, replacing Mr. R.G.C. Smith. Mr. Rankin was a senior member of the Trade Commissioner Service.

Mr. John A. Stiles, Minister (Commercial) at the Embassy in Tokyo to become High Commissioner to Guyana, replacing Mr. John Dougan. Mr. Stiles was a senior member of the Trade Commissioner Service.

Mr. Paul Malone, Canadian High Commissioner to Nigeria, will become the External Affairs' representative on the directing staff of the National Defence College in Kingston, Ontario.

## DENTAL CZECHS

Twelve Czechoslovakian dentists who came to Ontario in 1968 under the terms of the federal refugee movement have completed a special ten-month course at the University of Western Ontario and they are now qualified to practise in the province. They were offered the course in exchange for three years of practice in under-serviced areas of Ontario. Four were unable to complete the program.

The training was recommended by Ontario's Royal College of Dental Surgeons and supported by the federal and provincial governments. The course qualifies them to standards set by the dental college.

The Ontario Department of Health paid an estimated \$160,000 to conduct the program. The federal Department of Manpower and Immigration paid living expenses for the dentists and their families while they were in training and will provide financial assistance to help them relocate and maintain themselves until they become established in their practices.

Dental instruction was provided by the Canadian forces dental school at Canadian Forces Base Borden, Ontario.