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## DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, today announced the following diplomatic appointments.

Mr. Christian Hardy, Ambassador to Lebanon, to be Ambassador to Brazil, where he will replace Mr. J. C. L. Yvon Beaulne, appointed earlier this year as Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations.

Mr. Joseph Evremond Ghislain Hardy, serving as Deputy High Commissioner in London, to be Ambassador to Spain, with dual accreditation as Ambassador to Morocco. Mr. Hardy will replace Mr. B. Rogers, who will be returning to Canada for a tour of duty.

Mr. James Russell McKinney to be Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris, where he will replace Mr. C. J. Small, whose next assignment will be announced shortly.

Mr. Gerald Anthony Rau, now serving in the African and Middle Eastern Division, to succeed Mr. James Russell McKinney as High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago, with dual accreditation to Barbados.

Mr. Robert Louis Rogers, Ambassador to Israel, to be Deputy High Commissioner in London, where he will replace Mr. J. E. G. Hardy.

Mr. Gordon George Riddell, Head of African and Middle Eastern Division, to be Ambassador to Senegal, replacing Mr. J. J. M. Côté who will be returning to Canada for a tour of duty.

Biographical notes are attached.