Mr. Bernard Arthur (Berney) Gagosz born in Val D'Or (Québec), as High Commissioner in the Republic of Singapore.

Mr. Gagosz [B.A., Honours, Business Administration, Wilfrid Laurier University, 1964; Banff School of Advanced Management, 1974] joined the Trade Commissioner Service in 1965. He has served abroad in Vienna, in Brussels and in Manila as Consul & Trade Commissioner from 1969 to 1971; in Detroit, Consul & Senior Trade Commissioner from 1971 to 1972; in Athens, Counsellor (Commercial) from 1972 to 1976; in Melbourne, Consul General from 1979 to 1983; and in Minneapolis, Consul General from 1983 to 1987. In Ottawa, he was Director, Training and Recruitment from 1976 to 1977; and Director (Personnel) from 1977 to 1979. He has been Director General (Personnel Operations) since 1987. He is married to Mary-Lou Gagosz. They have two children. Mr. Gagosz replaces Mr. S. Brady.

Mr. John Higginbotham born in Regina (Saskatchewan), as Commissioner in Hong Kong.

Mr. Higginbotham [B.A., University of Saskatchewan, 1964; Graduate Studies, University of Ibadan, Nigeria, 1965; M.A., Economics, McGill University] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1969. He has served abroad in New York, as Advisor, United Nations General Assembly Delegation; in Hong Kong, for two years, Chinese Language Studies; and in Beijing, as First Secretary (Commercial) and as Counsellor and Head of Chancery from 1980 to 1982. From 1979 to 1980, Mr. Higginbotham was a Fellow at the Centre for International Affairs at Harvard University. In Ottawa, he worked as Head, China/Hong Kong Section from 1975 to 1977; as Member of the Policy Planning Secretariat from 1977 to 1979; as Special Advisor (Trade Policy), Office of General Economic Relations from 1982 to 1983; and as Director, International Economic Relations Division from 1983 to 1985. He has been Director General, Policy Development Bureau since 1985. He is married to Michèle Allard Higginbotham. They have two children. Mr. Higginbotham replaces Ms. A.M. Doyle.