

BIOGRAPHY

Charles Stewart Almon RITCHIE

Mr. Ritchie was born in Halifax on September 23, 1906. He studied at King's College, Dalhousie University, and at Oxford University from which he received the degrees of B.A. and M.A. He also received an M.A. from Harvard University and attended the Ecole Libre des Sciences Politiques in Paris.

Mr. Ritchie is one of the most experienced officers of the Department of External Affairs and has held a variety of important appointments at home and abroad. He joined the Department in 1934 and served in Washington, 1936-39, London, 1939-45 and Paris, 1947-50. He became an Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs in 1950 and Deputy Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs in 1952.

Mr. Ritchie was appointed Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany, Bonn, and Head of the Military Mission, Berlin, in 1954. In 1957 he was appointed Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations, New York. Mr. Ritchie is married to the former Sylvia Smellie of Ottawa.