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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS HAS DECIDED THAT, AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS, OCTOBER 24 SHOULD BE OFFICIALLY CELEBRATED AS "UNITED NATIONS DAY". THIS OCTOBER 24 WILL BE THE THIRTEENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

UNITED NATIONS DAY CELEBRATIONS WILL BE GENERAL THROUGH CANADA. THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, THE HON. SIDNEY E. SMITH, WILL ISSUE A SPECIAL UNITED NATIONS DAY MESSAGE. IN OTTAWA THERE WILL BE A DISPLAY IN FRONT OF THE PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS OF THE FLAGS OF THE 81 MEMBER COUNTRIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS, INCLUDING A FLAG NOT DISPLAYED BEFORE, THAT OF THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC. THE UNITED NATIONS FLAG WILL BE FLOWN FROM THE EASTERN FLAG-POLE OF THE CENTRE BLOCK.

THE DOMINION CARILLONEUR, MR. ROBERT DONNELL, WILL PLAY THE NATIONAL ANTHEMS OF THOSE MEMBER COUNTRIES WHOSE NATIONALS ARE PRESIDING OFFICERS OF THE PRINCIPAL ORGANS OF THE UNITED NATIONS. THIS RECITAL WILL BE GIVEN FROM 1 TO 2 P.M. ON OCTOBER 24; THE PROGRAMME WILL INCLUDE THE UNITED NATIONS MARCH AND THE NATIONAL ANTHEMS OF LEBANON, AUSTRALIA, CHINA, CZECHOSLAVAKIA, ECUADOR, FRANCE, INDONESIA, NEPAL, NETHERLANDS, PAKISTAN, UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC, UNITED KINGDOM, UNITED STATES, URUGUAY, EL SALVADOR, ROUMANIA, JAPAN, GREECE, IRELAND, CEYLON, MEXICO, AND GUATEMALA. IT WILL CONCLUDE WITH "O CANADA" AND "GOD SAVE THE QUEEN."