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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTÈRE DES AFFAIRES EXTÉRIEURES The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Mitchell Sharp, has announced the appointment of Mr. Gordon George Riddell, 51, at present Ambassador to Senegal, as Ambassador to Thailand, with concurrent accreditation as High Commissioner to Bangladesh. He succeeds Mr. G. E. Cox, who is returning to Canada.

Mr. Sharp has also announced that Mr. Ross Campbell, whose appointment as Ambassador to Japan was previously announced, will also be accredited to Korea, with residence in Tokyo, Japan; and that Mr. Robert Louis Rogers, whose appointment as Ambassador to Tugoslavia was announced earlier, will also be accredited to Bulgaria and Romania, with residence in Belgrade, Yugoslavia.

## ROSS CAMPBELL

Mr. Campbell was born in Toronto on November 4, 1918. He studied at the University of Toronto and received a B.A. in 1940. During the war he served with the Royal Canadian Navy and the Royal Navy, and was awarded the D.S.C.

Mr. Campbell joined the Department of External Affairs in 1945. He served in Oslo, Copenhagen, and Ankara and then spent several years in Ottawa in various positions, most recently as Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs from 1962 to 1964. He was named Ambassador to Yugoslavia in 1964, with concurrent accreditation to Algeria in 1965. In 1967 he was appointed to his present position as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council.

Mr. Campbell is married and has two sons.

## GORDON GEORGE RIDDELL

Mr. Riddell was born in Geneva, Switzerland, on February 25, 1921. He studied at Queens University and the University of New Zealand, where he received a B.A. in 1941. He continued his studies then and after the war at the University of Toronto, specializing in international relations. During the war he saw naval service and was discharged in 1945 as a Lieutenant.

Mr. Riddell joined the Department of External Affairs in 1946. At headquarters in Ottawa he has served in United States, Commonwealth, and Defence Liaison Divisions, and as head of African and Middle Eastern Division from 1967 to 1969. He has served abroad in Athens, London and Cairo. He was appointed to his present post as Ambassador to Senegal in 1969.

Mr. Riddell is married and has two sons and one daughter.

## ROBERT LOUIS ROGERS

Mr. Rogers was born in Toronto on November 23, 1919. He received a B.A. from the University of Toronto in 1942. During the war he served with the Canadian Army and was discharged in 1946 at the rank of Major.

Mr. Rogers joined the Department of External Affairs in 1946. In departmental headquarters in Ottawa he has served in Defence Liaison and United States Divisions, and from 1963 to 1965 as Director of Far Eastern Division. He served abroad in Washington, Tokyo, as Counsellor in London, and from 1960 to 1963 as Counsellor, Canadian Delegation to the North Atlantic Council. In 1965 he was named Ambassador to Israel and in 1969 appointed Deputy High Commissioner in London.

Mr. Rogers is married and has three sons and one daughter.