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## DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Right Honourable Joe Clark, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announces the following diplomatic appointments:

Mr. J. Calbert Best (59), born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, as High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago.

Mr. Best [B.A. (Political Science) Dalhousie University, 1948] joined the Federal Government with the Department of Labour in 1949. From 1966 to 1969, he was Director, Personnel and Administration, Office of the Comptroller of the Treasury; he was Director General, Administration, Department of Supply and Services in 1969; and participated in the Public Service Bilingual and Bicultural Program for Senior Civil Servants at Laval University, Québec from 1969 to 1970. In 1970, Mr. Best joined the Canadian Employment and Immigration Commission and served as Assistant Deputy Minister, Operations, from 1970 to 1974; he was Assistant Deputy Minister, Administration, from 1974 to 1975. In 1975, he was appointed to a position with the Commonwealth Secretariat in London. On his return to Ottawa in 1977, he was appointed Chairman of the Implementation Task Force on Privacy Legislation, Canada Employment and Immigration Commission (CEIC). Since 1978, he has been Executive Director, Immigration and Demographic Policy, CEIC. Mr. Best replaces Mr. J. Bissett who has returned to Ottawa.

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Mr. Michel de Goumois (50), born in Quebec, Quebec, as Ambassador to Chile.

Mr. de Goumois [B.A., Saint-Charles-Garnier College, 1954; LL.L, Laval University, 1957; called to the Quebec Bar, 1958] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1958. He has served abroad in Karachi, Vientiane, Saigon, London and Dakar. From 1971 to 1975, he was Director, Francophone Institutions; from 1975 to 1977, Ambassador to the Ivory Coast; and from 1978 to 1981, Deputy Under-Secretary of State. Since 1981, Mr. De Goumois has been Ambassador to Switzerland. Mr. de Goumois replaces Mr. C.G. Bullis who is returning to Ottawa.

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Mr. Carl E. Rufelds (52), born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, as Consul General to Milan.

Mr. Rufelds [B.Sc. (Mechanical Engineering), University of Manitoba, 1955] joined the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1962. He has served abroad in Beirut, Milan, and Bangkok. From 1974 to 1978, he was Consul and Senior Trade Commissioner in San Francisco; from 1978 to 1981, Chargé d'Affaires a.i. and Consul in Guatemala; and from 1981 to 1983, Minister-Counsellor (Commercial) in Peking. Since 1983, he has been Director, United States Marketing Division. Mr. Rufelds replaces Ms. E. Amadio who is returning to Ottawa.

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Mr. Michael Shenstone (57), born in Toronto, Ontario, as Ambassador to Austria and Permanent Representative and Ambassador to the Office of the United Nations in Vienna.

Mr. Shenstone [B.A., University of Toronto, 1949; M.A., Cambridge University, 1951; University of Paris (Sorbonne), 1952] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1952. He has served abroad in Beirut, Cairo and Washington. In Ottawa from 1967 to 1972, he served in the Defence Liaison Division; as Head, Peacekeeping and Military Assistance Division; as Head, North American Defence and North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) Division; and as Director, Defence Relations Division. In 1972, he was appointed Minister-Counsellor, London, and Senior Political Adviser, Canadian Delegation to the Multilateral Preparatory Talks for the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE) in Helsinki. From 1973 to 1974, Mr. Shenstone was Head of Delegation and Ambassador to the CSCE, Geneva; and from 1974 to 1976, Ambassador to Saudi Arabia. From 1976 to 1983 he was Director General, African and Middle Eastern Affairs. Since 1983, he has been Assistant Deputy Minister, Political and International Security Affairs. Mr. Shenstone replaces Mr. A.W. Sullivan who has returned to Ottawa.

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Mr. G. Douglas Valentine (53), born in Calgary, Alberta, as Ambassador to Saudi Arabia.

Mr. Valentine [B.A., University of British Columbia, 1953] joined the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1962. He served abroad in Düsseldorf, Bogota, Rio de Janeiro and Tehran before becoming Consul and Senior Trade Commissioner in Dallas in 1978. Mr. Valentine was appointed Ambassador to Colombia in 1980. Since 1983, he has been Director General, South American Bureau. Mr. Valentine replaces Mr. D.W. Fulford who has returned to Ottawa.