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TWO EXTERNAL AFFAIRS APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

The Honourable Paul Martin, Secretary of State for External Affairs, today announced two senior diplomatic appointments:

Mr. Max H. Wershof, Q.C., at present an Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and Legal Advisor in Ottawa, to become the new Canadian Ambassador to Denmark, and Mr. Paul André Beaulieu, Q.C., currently serving as the Canadian Ambassador to Brazil, to become Deputy Permanent Representative and Ambassador to the United Nations in New York.

Mr. Martin added that the names of those who would replace Mr. Wershof and Mr. Beaulieu would be announced later. (Biographies attached).

MAX H. WERSHOF

Mr. Wershof was born in Ottawa on October 6, 1909 and graduated in 1930 from the University of Alberta, from which he later received an Honorary LL.D. in 1958. He practised law in Edmonton before joining the Department of External Affairs in 1937. He served in diplomatic posts in Washington and London and, while at the latter post, attended the Imperial Defence College. On his return to Ottawa in January 1951, he was appointed Head of the Defence Liaison Division, and from 1954 to 1956 served as Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and Legal Advisor. Mr. Wershof was appointed Q.C. by the Government of Canada in 1955. He was appointed Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the European Office of the United Nations, Geneva in 1956 and concurrently Canadian Member of the Board of Governors of the International Atomic Energy Agency, Vienna; in 1957-58, he was Vice-Chairman of that Board.

Mr. Wershof has been a member of Canadian Delegations to many international conferences, including to name only a few, the Commonwealth Conference on Nationality Questions, NATO Ministerial Meetings, and most recently, the 21st Session of the United Nations General Assembly. He is at present serving again as Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs and Legal Advisor, an appointment which he took up in 1962.

Mr. Wershof is married to the former Miriam Caplan of Ottawa and has one son.

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PAUL ANDRE BEAULIEU

Mr. Beaulieu was born in Outremont, Quebec, on April 1, 1913. He was educated at Ste. Marie College, Montreal and the University of Montreal, and practised law in Montreal from 1938 to 1940. In 1947, he was created Dominion Q.C., and in 1957, was elected fellow of the Royal Society of Canada.

Mr. Beaulieu joined the Department of External Affairs in 1940 and subsequently served in Canadian diplomatic missions in Washington, Paris, Boston and London. In 1958, he was appointed Ambassador to Lebanon, and concurrently Ambassador to Iraq. In 1961, he took up his present appointment as Ambassador to Brazil.

Mr. Beaulieu is married to the former Simone Aubry and has two children.