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NINE DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, today announced the appointments of nine Canadians as High Commissioners and Ambassadors. They are:

Mr. Alfred John Pick, at present Head of the Latin American Division of the Department of External Affairs, as the first Canadian Ambassador to Tunisia;

Mr. John Alexander McCordick, at present Head of the Information Division of the Department of External Affairs, as Canadian Ambassador to Austria;

Mr. Charles Eustace McGaughey, at present High Commissioner to Ghana, and Ambassador to Guinea, Ivory Coast, Togo and Upper Volta, as High Commissioner to Pakistan;

Mr. Ronald Macalister Macdonnell, at present Ambassador to Indonesia, as High Commissioner to New Zealand;

Mr. Albert Frederick Hart, at present at the Harvard School of International Affairs, as High Commissioner to Ghana.

Mr. William George Marcel Olivier, at present Ambassador to Costa Rica, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama and El Salvador, as Ambassador to Indonesia;

Mr. James Russell McKinney, at present Deputy Head of the Economic Division of the Department of External Affairs, to be High Commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago;

Mr. Arthur John Hicks, at present Deputy Head of the U.S.A. Division of the Department of External Affairs, as Ambassador to Costa Rica, with concurrent accreditation to Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras and Panama.

Mr. Martin also announced the appointment of Mr. Herbert Owen Moran as Ambassador to Korea. Mr. Moran's appointment as Ambassador to Japan was announced previously. He will be resident in Tokyo.

It is expected that there will be an announcement soon concerning the next appointment of Miss Margaret Meagher, at present Ambassador to Austria.