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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

Secretary of State for External Affairs Don Jamieson announces the following appointments:

Albert Béchard, M.P., 57, originally from St-Alexis-de-Matapédia, Quebec, to be Consul General in New Orleans. Mr. Béchard (B.A., and LL.L. Laval University) has been a Member of Parliament since 1962 serving in various capacities including that of Canadian delegate at international conferences.

Mr. Béchard replaces Mr. J.C. Cantin who is terminating his assignment.

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Jim S. Nutt, 59, originally from Calgary, Alberta, to be Consul General in New York. Mr. Nutt (B.A. University of Toronto, Barrister-at-Law, Osgoode Hall, The Hague Academy of International Law) joined External Affairs in 1947 and has served abroad in Rio de Janeiro, Washington and as Consul General in San Francisco. In 1973 he was appointed Director-General of the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs and since 1977 he has been Deputy Under-Secretary.

He will replace Mr. Barry Steers who will be returning to Ottawa.

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James H. Stone, 58, originally from Charleston, Ontario, to be Consul General in Chicago. Mr. Stone (B.Comm. Queen's University) joined the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1948 and has served abroad in Paris, Wellington, Rome, London and, since 1976, as Ambassador to Brazil.

He replaces Mr. W.J. Collett who is being reassigned abroad.