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DONALD MACDONALD TO LEAD EGOSOC DELEGATION

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Paul Martin, today announced that Mr. Donald S. Macdonald M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, will lead the Canadian Delegation to the 41st Session of the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, which will meet in Geneva from July 5 to August 5, 1966. The alternate delegates will be Mr. Jean-Louis Delisle, Canadian Ambassador to Turkey and Mr. J.O. Parry, Deputy Head of United Nations Division, Department of External Affairs.

The Delegation will also include advisors from the Department of External Affairs.

The Economic and Social Council is responsible for co-ordinating the activities of the United Nations and its affiliated agencies in the fields of economic, social and human rights. The forthcoming session will be the Council's major meeting this year and will examine the annual reports of the Specialized Agencies and the Regional Economic Commissions of the United Nations as well as many other aspects of economic and social development. It is expected that, in dealing with the varied agenda before it, the

Council will focus particular attention on the progress made so far in the United Nations Development Decade and on the financing of economic development.

Canada began its present three-year term on the 27-member Council in 1965. Canada has served three previous terms on the Council, the most recent being from 1956 - 1958.