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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

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

Mr. Michael D. Bell (43), born in Windsor, Ontario, as Ambassador to Jordan.

Mr. Bell [B.A. (Honours), University of Windsor, 1966; M.A. (Political Science), University of Windsor, 1967] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1967. He has served abroad in Kingston; Port-of-Spain; Tel Aviv; and as Counsellor in Rome from 1981 to 1983. In Ottawa he was Executive Assistant for Middle East Affairs to the Honourable Robert L. Stanford from 1979 to 1980. He has been Director, Middle East Relations Division since 1983. Mr. Bell replaces Mr. G.R. Harman.

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Mr. John Blackwood (55), from Brandon, Manitoba, as Consul General in Minneapolis.

Mr. Blackwood [B.A., Universities of Manitoba and Chicago, 1954] joined the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1955. He has served abroad in Karachi; Washington D.C.; Tokyo; Caracas; Detroit; as Deputy Consul General (Commercial) in New York from 1974 to 1977; and as Canadian Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington D.C. from 1977 to 1980. In Canada he was Regional Director General, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce, Toronto, from 1980 to 1982; Regional Executive Director, Department of Regional Industrial Expansion, Toronto, from 1982 to 1984; Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, International Trade Development, Ottawa, from 1984 to 1985; and Regional Executive Director, Department of Regional Industrial Expansion, Toronto, from January to June 1985. He has been Federal Economic Co-ordinator in Winnipeg since 1985. Mr. Blackwood replaces Mr. B.A. Gagosz who returns to Ottawa.

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Ms. Colleen Cupples (41), born in Port Arthur, Ontario, as Ambassador to Zaire.

Ms. Cupples [B.A., Lakehead University, 1967] joined the Employment and Immigration Commission in 1967. She has served abroad in Paris; London; Nairobi; as Consul in Los Angeles from 1980 to 1981; as First Secretary and Consul in Buenos Aires from 1981 to 1984; and as First Secretary in Colombo from 1984 to 1986. She has been Counsellor (Immigration) and Consul in Damascus since 1986. Ms. Cupples replaces Mr. E.N. Hare who returns to Ottawa.

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Mr. Gary R. Harman (58), born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, as Ambassador to Syria.

Mr. Harman [B.A. (Honours), University of Manitoba, 1951] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1953. After serving abroad in New York; Prague; Washington; Moscow; and Cairo; he was appointed Director, Personnel Planning and Development in 1972; he became Director, Personnel Operations in 1973; and Director General, Bureau of Personnel in 1975. Mr. Harman was appointed Ambassador to Cuba in 1977; and Chief Air Negotiator in 1981. He was Assistant Deputy Minister, Administration from 1983 to 1985; and Ambassador to Jordan since 1985. Mr. Harman replaces Mr. J. Noiseux who returns to Ottawa.

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Mr. Gaétan Lavertu (43), born in St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, as Ambassador to Colombia, with concurrent accreditation to Ecuador.

Mr. Lavertu [Political Science/International Relations, Laval University, 1968; M.B.A., University of Western Ontario, 1969; M.P.A., University of Quebec, 1974] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1969. He has served abroad in Madrid; Rabat; Caracas; and as Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Canada to the European Communities in Brussels from 1979 to 1982. In Ottawa he was Senior Assistant to the Deputy Minister (Foreign Policy) from 1982 to 1983; and Director of Intelligence Analysis from 1983 to 1985. He has been Director General of the Foreign Intelligence Bureau since 1986. Mr. Lavertu replaces Mr. T.E. Gibson.

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Mr. Wilfrid-Guy Licari (40), born in Tunis, Tunisia, as Ambassador to Morocco.

Mr. Licari [Studied at at Stanislas College in Montreal (baccalaureat in mathematics and in philosophy) from 1963 to 1964; B.A., University of Montreal, 1965; Certificate of General Literary Studies, Paris University, 1966; Graduate Studies, Economic and Commercial Sciences, Paris, 1968] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1968. He has served abroad in Nairobi; Algiers; and as Counsellor (Political) in Paris from 1977 to 1981. In Ottawa he was Director of Francophone Africa and Maghreb from 1981 to 1984. He has been Minister-Counsellor in Rome since 1984. Mr. Licari replaces Mr. E.U. Butler.

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Mr. Barry Mawhinney (49), born in Victoria, British Columbia, as Ambassador to Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Mawhinney [B.A., LL.B., University of British Columbia, 1963] joined the Department of External Affairs in 1965. He has served abroad in Accra; London; and as Minister-Counsellor, Delegation of Canada to the North Atlantic Council in Brussels from 1979 to 1983. In Ottawa he was Director of USSR and Eastern European Relations from 1983 to 1984. He has been Director General of Legal Affairs since 1984.

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Ms. Sandelle Scrimshaw (36), from London, Ontario, as High Commissioner to Ghana.

Ms. Scrimshaw [B.A. Honours, University of Western Ontario, 1973; First year of DUAL University, Besançon, France, 1972] joined the Federal Government in 1973. With the Francophone Africa Bureau, Canadian International Development Agency, she served as Senior Project Officer from 1979 to 1980; as Country Program Manager from 1980 to 1982; and as Deputy Director, Programming and Evaluation from 1982 to 1984. She has been Counsellor (Development) and Consul in Abidjan since 1984. Ms. Scrimshaw replaces Mr. A. Morantz who returns to Ottawa.

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Mr. David Winfield (46), born in Chesterfield, England, as Minister (Economic/Commercial) in Tokyo.

Mr. Winfield [B.A., Political Science, University of Alberta, 1963; Graduate Studies, International Affairs, University of Western Ontario, 1965; Diploma, International Management, University of Western Ontario, 1979] joined the Trade Commissioner Service of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1965. He has served abroad in The Hague; Ankara; as Counsellor (Commercial) in Tokyo from 1972 to 1976; as Minister-Counsellor (Commercial/Economic) in Mexico from 1980 to 1983; and as Deputy Consul General in New York from 1983 to 1985. In Ottawa he was Chief, Latin American Division, Industry, Trade and Commerce, from 1976 to 1980. He has been Vice-President, Investment Development at Investment Canada, since 1985. Mr. Winfield replaces Mr. A. Blum.

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Mr. David Wright (43), born in Montreal, Quebec, as Minister in Paris.

Mr. Wright [B.Sc. (Mathematics and Economics), McGill University, 1966; M.B.A. (International Finance), Columbia University, 1968] joined the Trade Commissioner Service, Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1968. He transferred to the Department of External Affairs in 1974. He has served abroad in Rome; as First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations in New York from 1972 to 1975; and as Counsellor (Economic) in Tokyo from 1978 to 1982. In Ottawa he has held several positions in the Economic Bureau; he was Director of Cabinet Liaison, and Secretary to the Committee of Deputy Ministers on Foreign and Defence Policy from 1982 to 1984; and Director, Economic and Trade Analysis from 1984 to 1985. He has been Director General of Economic Policy since 1985. Mr. Wright replaces Mr. F. Bild.