

December 15, 1993

DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet announces the following appointments:

John Allen Fraser, PC, QC, currently Speaker of the House of Commons, as Ambassador for the Environment.

John R. Anderson, currently Chief of the Defence Staff, as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council (NATO).

Raymond A.J. Chrétien, currently Ambassador to Belgium, as Ambassador to the United States of America.

Francis M. Filleul, currently Director General of Personnel Administration, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, as Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti.

Allan N. Lever, until recently Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, as Consul General in Chicago.

Donald McLennan, until recently Minister-Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Riyadh, as Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Iran.

John McNee, until recently with the Privy Council Office Foreign and Defence Policy Secretariat, as Ambassador to the Syrian Arab Republic.

Jean Nadeau, until recently Program Administrator, Industrial Co-operation, Canadian International Development Agency, as High Commissioner to the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

Michel Perrault, until recently Director, East Asia Trade Division, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, as Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

Anthony G. Vincent, until recently with the Bureau of Assistance for Central and Eastern Europe, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, as Ambassador to the Republic of Peru.

Art Wright, until recently Vice-President, Multilateral Programs, Canadian International Development Agency, as High Commissioner to the Republic of Zimbabwe.

All of the above appointments are effective immediately except those of Mr. Chrétien and Mr. Fraser, which are effective January 1, 1994 and January 18, 1994 respectively, and that of Admiral Anderson, which will be effective in the new year.

Biographical information is attached.

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

John Allen Fraser, PC, QC (LLB, University of British Columbia, 1954) was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1983. Mr. Fraser served as an Infantry Platoon Commander with the 27th Brigade (Germany) in 1953. In 1955, he was called to the bar and later joined the Vancouver law firm "Ladner Downs."

In 1972, Mr. Fraser was elected to the House of Commons representing Vancouver South and served as the Opposition spokesperson for the Environment and Labour. Mr. Fraser was re-elected in 1974, 1979, 1980, 1984 and again in 1988. From 1979 to 1980, he served as Minister of the Environment and Postmaster General. From 1980 until 1984, Mr. Fraser was the Opposition Spokesperson for Fisheries, Post Office and Solicitor General-related issues. In 1984, he became Minister of Fisheries and Oceans. On October 1, 1986, Mr. Fraser was elected as Speaker of the House of Commons and was re-elected in December 1988. He was the first Speaker elected by secret ballot cast by members of Parliament. His accomplishments as Speaker include the establishment of the Central and Eastern European Parliamentary Co-operation Program; the creation of the House of Commons Public Information Office; and the establishment of the House of Commons environmental program, Greening the Hill. In 1986 he established a House of Commons Task Force on the Disabled and Handicapped to ensure access and employment opportunities on Parliament Hill for the disadvantaged. He hosted the National Parliamentary Forum on the Status of Disabled Persons in 1988 and a parliamentary forum on the economic integration of Canadians with disabilities entitled "Profitable Choices for Everyone" in 1992. He also commissioned the recent publication *The House of Commons at Work*.

Over the years, Mr. Fraser has demonstrated a profound commitment to and has been active in promoting environmental causes. He has been the recipient of a variety of national awards for his valuable contributions and tireless efforts in the area of sustainable development. These include, among others, the Fred M. Packard International Parks Merit Award for his role in the preservation of South Moresby (Gwaii Haanas); the Lou Duffley Atlantic Salmon Conservation Award from the New Brunswick Council of the Atlantic Salmon Federation; the Roland Michener Conservation Award from the Canadian Wildlife Federation; the Richard Beatty Mellon Award from the Air Pollution Control Association of North America; and most recently he received a special award from the Canadian Nature Federation for his help and support. In October 1982, he was made a Life Member of the Izaak Walton League of America for his work on the environment and acid rain.

In recognition of his life-long concern for the environment and for being a founder and patron of the Canada-China Child Health Foundation, Mr. Fraser received an Honorary professorship from the Beijing Medical University (China) in 1992. Mr. Fraser has held a number of directorships and is a Patron and Honorary Patron of, among others, the Environmental Law Centre, the

Vancouver Maritime Museum and the Kidney Foundation of Canada. He is the Honorary Chairman of the Board of Leadership for the Canada Prize for Earth and Environmental Sciences and is a Trustee of the Canadian Wildlife Foundation. Mr. Fraser was Official Chairman of the International Advisory Board to Globe '90 and Globe '92, an Environment and Industry Conference in Vancouver. As such, he addressed the International Chamber of Commerce Environment Conference in 1992 at Rio de Janeiro, prior to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development. In 1992, Mr. Fraser served as official Chairman of the National Forest Congress, the Speaker's Forum on Canadian Wildlands, and the Eco-Ed Conference of the World Congress for Education and Communication on Environment and Development. Mr. Fraser is married to Catherine Rose Fraser (née Findlay), and they have three daughters. He replaces Mr. Arthur Campeau.

John R. Anderson (BSc, University of British Columbia; Canadian Forces Command and Staff College) joined the Armed Forces in 1959 as an ROTP cadet. From 1963 to 1975, he held various officer positions in the Canadian Armed Forces. From 1975 to 1978, he attended the Canadian Forces Command and Staff College and went on to become Senior Staff Officer (Operations) at National Defence. In 1978, Admiral Anderson became the Commanding Officer of HMCS Restigouche, and from 1982 to 1983 he served as Commander of the First Destroyer Squadron (Halifax). From 1983 to 1986, Admiral Anderson was Director, Maritime Requirements, National Defence. This was followed by language training. From 1986 to 1987, he was Director General and later Chief, Maritime Doctrine and Operations; from 1987 to 1991, he was Chief, Nuclear Submarine Acquisition, then Chief, Maritime Doctrine and Operations, National Defence. In 1991, he became Commander of the Maritime Command (Halifax). He was named Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff in 1992, and in January 1993 Admiral Anderson became Chief of the Defence Staff. He replaces Mr. James K. Bartleman.

Raymond A.J. Chrétien (BA, Joliette Seminary, 1962; LLL, Université Laval, 1965; admitted to the Quebec Bar in 1966) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1966. He has served abroad in New York, Beirut, Paris and as Ambassador in Kinshasa from 1978 to 1981 and in Mexico from 1985 to 1988. In Ottawa, he served as Director, Industry, Investment and Competition Policy Division, as Assistant Under-Secretary of State for Manufacturing Industries, Technology and Transport Bureau, and as Inspector General of the Department from 1983 to 1985. From 1988 to 1991, Mr. Chrétien was the Associate Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs. Since 1991, Mr. Chrétien has been the Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium. He is married to Kay Rousseau, and they have two children. He replaces General A. John G.A. de Chastelain.

Francis M. Filleul (BA, University of British Columbia, 1957; BA, Oxford University, 1959; Diploma, Sorbonne, 1962; École nationale d'administration, Paris, 1969) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1962. He served abroad in Ankara, Dakar, Rio de

Janeiro, Brasilia and New York. From 1982 to 1986, he served as Ambassador to Costa Rica, Nicaragua, El Salvador and Panama, and from 1989 to 1992, as Ambassador to Ethiopia, the Sudan and Djibouti. In Ottawa, he has held the positions of Director, Public Relations, from 1976 to 1977; Director of the Press Office and Official Spokesman from 1981 to 1982; and Senior Advisor, Federal/Provincial Relations from 1986 to 1989. Since 1992, Mr. Filleul has been Director General of Personnel Administration. He is married to Adela Elizabeth Rodriguez, and they have two daughters. He replaces Bernard Dussault.

Allan N. Lever (Educated in Port Colborne and at Ryerson Institute of Technology, Toronto). Mr. Lever joined the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1972. He worked as Project Manager and subsequently Senior Project Manager, Office of Export Programs and Services, from 1973 to 1976, and as Senior Departmental Assistant to the Minister from 1976 to 1977. From 1977 to 1979, he was Executive Assistant to the Secretary of State for External Affairs; from 1979 to 1983, he was Director, Interchange Canada and International Programs with the Public Service Commission of Canada; and from 1985 to 1989, he was Director, Western Europe Trade, Investment and Technology Division. He served abroad as Minister-Counsellor (Public Affairs) in London from 1983 to 1985 and as Ambassador to Saudi Arabia from 1989 to 1993. He is married to Nora Starr (née Hazelwood), and they have three sons and one daughter. Mr. Lever replaces Mr. Douglas Valentine.

Donald McLennan (BSc Honours [Physics and Mathematics], Université Laval, 1968; MBA [Accounting], University of Alberta, 1970) joined the Trade Commissioner Service in 1970 and served abroad in Hong Kong, Belgrade and Lagos. He also served in Berne, from 1982 to 1986, as Counsellor (Commercial) and Consul; in London, from 1986 to 1990, as Counsellor (Commercial); and from 1990 to 1993, as Minister-Counsellor (Commercial) in Riyadh. In Ottawa, Mr. McLennan served with the International Programs Division of the Department of Finance. He and his wife Judy (née Richards) have three children. He replaces Mr. Paul Dingledine.

John McNee (BA Honours [History and English], Glendon College, York University, 1973; Canada Scholar at Cambridge, 1973 to 1975; MA [History], Peterhouse, Cambridge University, 1975) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1978 and served abroad on various assignments in Europe and the Middle East. In Ottawa, Mr. McNee has served with the Prime Minister's Task Force on International Peace and Security and, from 1984 to 1986, with the Office of the Secretary of State for External Affairs. He has worked in the areas of policy planning and development and in the United States Transboundary Division. Most recently, he served with the Privy Council Office in the Foreign and Defence Policy Secretariat. He is married to Susan Lauder, and they have two children. He replaces Mr. Martin Collacott.

Jean Nadeau (CPDCET, Paris, 1979 to 1980; Université de Montréal, 1962 to 1966) joined the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) in 1972 and served abroad in Dakar, Bamako, Bridgetown and Paris. From 1987 to 1988, he served as Chargé d'affaires in Conakry and, from 1988 to 1991, as Ambassador to Gabon. In Ottawa, at CIDA Headquarters, he has held the positions of Program Director for Haiti; Senior Program Officer, International Financial Institutions; and Program Administrator (East Africa and the Middle East), Industrial Co-operation. Mr. Nadeau is married to Marie-Ange Godin, and they have two children. He replaces Ms. Dilys Buckley-Jones.

Michel Perrault (BA, Collèges Ste-Marie et Brébeuf, 1962; BSc [Economics], Université de Montréal, 1965; MA studies, University of Toronto, 1970) joined the Trade Commissioner Service in 1971 and served abroad in Bonn, Caracas, Buenos Aires, Brussels and Paris. In Ottawa, Mr. Perrault worked with Enterprise Canada '77 and held the positions of Deputy Director, Federal-Provincial Relations, Special Assistant in the Office of the Minister for International Trade and, most recently, Director, East Asia Trade. He and his wife Suzanne have three children. He replaces Mr. Marc C. Lemieux.

Anthony G. Vincent (BA, University of Minnesota, 1966) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1969. He served abroad in The Hague and New Delhi and, from 1985 to 1988, as High Commissioner to Bangladesh and Ambassador to Burma. In Ottawa, from 1980 to 1985, Mr. Vincent was Deputy Director and subsequently Director, South and Southeast Asia Relations Division, and from 1988 to 1990, he was Director of the Security Division. From 1990 to 1992 he held the position of Senior Advisor for Security and Counter-terrorism. Since 1992, Mr. Vincent has undertaken special assignments with the Bureau of Assistance for Central and Eastern Europe. He is married to Lucie Houle, and they have one daughter, Alexandra. Mr. Vincent replaces Mr. James Leach.

Art Wright (BA [Political Science], St. Francis Xavier University, 1960; MA [Public Administration], Carleton University, 1962) joined the Department of Finance in 1960 and the Department of External Affairs in 1962 and served abroad in Lagos, Kuala Lumpur, Bangkok, Dar-es-Salaam and New Delhi. From 1979 to 1982, he was High Commissioner to Bangladesh and Ambassador to Burma, and from 1987 to 1990 he was High Commissioner to Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean. In Ottawa, Mr. Wright has held the positions of Vice-President, Asia Branch, CIDA, and, most recently, Vice-President, Multilateral Programs, CIDA. He is married to Sylvia Bews-Wright. He replaces Mr. Charles Bassett.