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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TODAY ANNOUNCED THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS, TRANSFERS AND RETIREMENTS IN THE CANADIAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE:

MR. RONALD M. MACDONNELL, AT PRESENT AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED ARAB REPUBLIC AND MINISTER TO LEBANON, WILL BE RETURNING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN OTTAWA IN THE LATE SUMMER AS DEPUTY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, THE POST WHICH HE HELD BEFORE HE WENT TO CAIRO. THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. MACDONNELL'S SUCCESSOR WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

MR. THEODORE F. N. NEWTON, AT PRESENT HEAD OF THE INFORMATION DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, HAS BEEN APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO INDONESIA TO SUCCEED MR. G. R. HEASMAN, WHOSE APPOINTMENT AS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA IN NEW ZEALAND WAS ANNOUNCED EARLIER. MR. NEWTON WILL TAKE UP HIS NEW DUTIES IN DJAKARTA IN THE LATE SUMMER.

MR. ALEXANDRE J. BOUDREAU, AT PRESENT CONSUL GENERAL OF CANADA IN BOSTON, WILL SHORTLY BE RETIRING FROM THE CANADIAN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE. THE APPOINTMENT OF HIS SUCCESSOR WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

MR. ALFRED J. PICK, AT PRESENT HEAD OF THE EUROPEAN DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, HAS BEEN APPOINTED AMBASSADOR TO PERU TO SUCCEED MR. B. ROGERS, WHOSE APPOINTMENT AS AMBASSADOR TO TURKEY WAS ANNOUNCED EARLIER. MR. PICK WILL TAKE UP HIS NEW DUTIES IN LIMA IN THE LATE SUMMER.

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RONALD MACALISTER MACDONNELL

MR. MACDONNELL WAS BORN IN VERNON, B.C. ON MAY 11, 1909. HE RECEIVED B.A. DEGREES FROM THE UNIVERSITIES OF MANITOBA AND OXFORD. HE JOINED THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AS THIRD SECRETARY IN 1934. HE SERVED IN WASHINGTON FROM 1935 TO 1943 AND IN KUIBYSHEV FROM MARCH TO DECEMBER 1943. HE BECAME CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. TO PRAGUE IN 1947 AND MINISTER AT THE CANADIAN EMBASSY IN PARIS IN 1950. IN 1952, HE BECAME ASSISTANT UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN OTTAWA. HE WAS APPOINTED CANADIAN COMMISSIONER, INTERNATIONAL SUPERVISORY COMMISSION FOR CAMBODIA, INDOCHINA IN AUGUST, 1954, AND SERVED IN AN INTERIM CAPACITY AS FIRST CANADIAN COMMISSIONER IN VIETNAM. HE RETURNED TO OTTAWA IN NOVEMBER 1954 AND RESUMED HIS DUTIES AS ASSISTANT UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS. IN AUGUST 1955, MR. MACDONNELL WAS APPOINTED DEPUTY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS. HE BECAME AMBASSADOR TO EGYPT AND MINISTER TO LEBANON IN MAY 1957. MR. MACDONNELL HAS ATTENDED A NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS FOUR CHILDREN.

THEODORE FRANCIS MOORHOUSE NEWTON

MR. NEWTON WAS BORN IN SARNIA, ONTARIO, ON JULY 15, 1903. HE WAS EDUCATED AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY WHERE HE WAS ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR AND LECTURER FROM 1925 TO 1928. DURING THE SAME PERIOD HE WAS ALSO CORRESPONDENT FOR THE MONTREAL STAR, THE MONTREAL STANDARD AND THE TORONTO STAR. HE WAS INSTRUCTOR AND TUTOR AT HARVARD UNIVERSITY FROM 1928 TO 1937 AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR AND ASSISTANT WARDEN OF DOUGLAS HALL AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY FROM 1937 TO 1943. IN 1931 AND 1935 HE WAS AWARDED HARVARD TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIPS FOR RESEARCH IN LONDON, CAMBRIDGE AND OXFORD. MR. NEWTON WAS ON LOAN FROM MCGILL TO THE WARTIME INFORMATION BOARD WHICH LATER BECAME THE CANADIAN INFORMATION SERVICE, FROM 1943 TO 1947. THAT YEAR HE JOINED THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AS FIRST SECRETARY IN WASHINGTON. HE BECAME CONSUL IN BOSTON IN OCTOBER 1947. HE SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION, NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL, FROM OCTOBER 1950 UNTIL MAY 1953. HE WAS APPOINTED MINISTER-COUNSELLOR IN TOKYO, JAPAN, IN NOVEMBER 1954. MR. NEWTON HAS PUBLISHED STUDIES ON THE REIGN OF QUEEN ANNE AND ON THE EARLY HISTORY OF ENGLISH JOURNALISM AND HAS CONTRIBUTED ARTICLES TO AMERICAN AND CANADIAN PERIODICALS. HE IS MARRIED AND HAS ONE CHILD.

ALEXANDRE JOHN BOUDREAU

MR. BOUDREAU WAS BORN IN CHETICAMP, N.S., IN FEBRUARY 9, 1910. HE GRADUATED AT SAINTE-ANNE-DE-LA-POCATIERE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IN 1933 AND RECEIVED A MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION DEGREE FROM HARVARD UNIVERSITY IN 1943. MR. BOUDREAU ORGANIZED AND MANAGED QUEBEC UNITED FISHERIES FROM 1939 TO 1948. DURING THE SAME PERIOD HE WAS PROFESSOR OF ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION AT LAVAL UNIVERSITY. HE WAS APPOINTED COMMISSIONER, CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION OF CANADA, IN DECEMBER 1948 AND CONSUL GENERAL IN BOSTON IN MARCH 1957. MR. BOUDREAU IS MARRIED AND HAS FOUR CHILDREN.

ALFRED JOHN PICK

MR. PICK WAS BORN IN MONTREAL ON APRIL 28, 1915. HE WAS EDUCATED AT MCGILL UNIVERSITY WHERE HE OBTAINED A MASTER OF ARTS AND A BACHELOR OF CIVIL LAW DEGREES. HE ALSO ATTENDED THE SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT GENEVA IN THE SUMMER OF 1935 AND THE ECOLE LIBRE DES SCIENCES POLITIQUES AT PARIS IN 1936-1937. HE WAS CALLED TO THE BAR OF QUEBEC IN 1940. MR. PICK JOINED THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AS THIRD SECRETARY IN JULY 1940. HE SUBSEQUENTLY SERVED IN ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, CANBERRA, CAPE TOWN, NEW DELHI AND ROME, AND IN OTTAWA IN VARIOUS CAPACITIES. HE WAS HEAD OF THE PERSONNEL DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS FROM MARCH 1956 UNTIL APRIL 1957 WHEN HE BECAME HEAD OF THE EUROPEAN DIVISION. MR. PICK IS MARRIED AND HAS THREE CHILDREN.