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DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, announces the following diplomatic appointments:

Richard Belliveau, from Toronto, Ontario, as Consul General in Shanghai.

Mr. Belliveau (BA [Honours], University of Toronto, 1965; DES [Canadian History], University of Montreal, 1970) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1966 and has served abroad in Jakarta, Hong Kong, Peking, Algiers, Madrid and Brasilia. In Ottawa, Mr. Belliveau has served as Deputy Director, United States General Relations Division; Deputy Director, Latin American Division; Deputy Director, Agriculture and Fisheries Trade Policy Division and Deputy Co-ordinator for the Office of the Ambassador for Marine Conservation. From 1990 to 1991, Mr. Belliveau was Director of Cabinet Liaison and Parliamentary Relations and since 1991 has been Director of the United States Transboundary Division. Mr. Belliveau replaces Normand H. Mailhot.

Russell H. Davidson, born in Chichester, England, as Ambassador to the Republic of Venezuela.

Mr. Davidson (BA, [with distinction], Carleton University, 1966) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1966. He has served abroad in Dar-es-Salaam, Tel Aviv, Peking and Mexico City, and from 1986 to 1989, was Ambassador to the Philippines. In Ottawa, Mr. Davidson has served as Interdepartmental Co-ordinator for Foreign Operations, Special Advisor on Energy Policy and, from 1983 to 1986, Director of East Asia Relations Division. Since 1989, Mr. Davidson has been Director General, Caribbean and Central American Bureau and Director General, Latin American and Caribbean Bureau. He is married to Jennifer Lane and they have three children. Mr. Davidson replaces John W. Graham.

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Arsène A. Després, born in Cocagne, New Brunswick, as Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon with concurrent accreditation to the Republic of Chad.

Mr. Després (BA [Philosophy], University of Moncton, New Brunswick, 1960; MPA, University of Quebec [ENAP], 1975) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1968. He has served abroad in Yaoundé, Warsaw and Vienna, where, from 1979 to 1981, he was Counsellor and Deputy Head of the Canadian Delegation to the Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction Talks. He later served as Counsellor and Alternate Representative of Canada to the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva. In Ottawa, Mr. Després has worked in the European Division, the Information Division and the Defence Relations Division and, from 1988 to the present, has served as Director of the Energy and Nuclear Affairs Division. He is married to Lorraine Vienneau and they have three children. Mr. Després replaces Anne Leahy.

Paul Durand, born in London, Ontario, as Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica, with concurrent accreditation to the Republic of Honduras, the Republic of Nicaragua and the Republic of Panama.

Mr. Durand (BA, University of Toronto) joined the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) in 1975 following a number of years in international banking in Latin America and the United States. He has served abroad with the government in Barbados and in India. In Ottawa with CIDA, Mr. Durand has served as Acting Director of Programming and Policy Co-ordinator and, from 1984 to 1987, as Director of the Tanzania Program. From 1982 to 1984, Mr. Durand was a policy advisor, Foreign and Defence Policy, with the Privy Council Office. Most recently, he has been Director of the South America Relations Division with External Affairs and International Trade Canada. Mr. Durand is married to Patricia Fortier. He replaces Henry G. Pardy.

William A. Dymond, born in Toronto, Ontario, as Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil.

Mr. Dymond (BA, University of Toronto, 1966; MA, University of Toronto, 1967) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1967. He has served abroad in Geneva and Brussels, where, from 1979 to 1983, he was Minister Counsellor and Deputy Head of Mission, Canadian Mission to the European Communities. Since 1987, he has been Minister Counsellor (Commercial) in Washington. In Ottawa, Mr. Dymond has served as Director, European Community Division, Senior Adviser and Co-ordinator of the Canada/U.S. Trade Task Force and Senior Adviser, Trade Negotiations Office. Mr. Dymond is married to Patricia Mary and they have two children. He replaces William L. Clarke.

Lucie Geneviève Edwards, born in Ottawa, Ontario, as High Commissioner to the Republic of Kenya and as Permanent Representative to the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (HABITAT) and the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) in Nairobi.

Mrs. Edwards (BA [Honours History], Trent University, Peterborough, 1976; MPA, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1984) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1976. She has served abroad in Tel Aviv and Pretoria. In Ottawa, Mrs. Edwards has served in the Commercial Policy, Economic Relations with Developing Countries and Middle East Divisions. From 1984 to 1986, she was Deputy Director of the Resource Management Division and in 1989, was Director, Domestic Communications. From 1989 to 1992, Mrs. Edwards was Chairperson of the Southern Africa Task Force and most recently, has been Director of the Middle East Relations Division. She is married to Thomas Roach. Mrs. Edwards replaces Lawrence A.H. Smith.

Paul Heinbecker, born in Kitchener, Ontario, as Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany.

Mr. Heinbecker (BA [Honours], Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, 1965) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1965. He has served abroad in Ankara, Stockholm and Paris (Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development) and, from 1985 to 1989 as Minister in Washington. In Ottawa, Mr. Heinbecker has served as Director, United States General Relations Division and as Chairman of the Policy Development Secretariat in External Affairs. From 1989 to 1991, he was the Prime Minister's chief speech writer. Since 1991, as Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet (Foreign and Defence Policy), Privy Council Office, he has served as foreign policy adviser of the Prime Minister. Mr. Heinbecker is married to Ayse Koymen and they have two children. He replaces W. Thomas Delworth.

Jeremy Kinsman, born in Montreal, Quebec, as Ambassador to the Russian Federation.

Mr. Kinsman (Princeton University, New Jersey, 1963; the Institut d'Études Politiques, Paris, 1965) joined the Department of External Affairs in 1965. He has served abroad in Brussels, Algiers and New York, where from 1975 to 1980 he served as Minister-Counsellor and then as Minister and Deputy Permanent Representative with the Canadian Mission to the United Nations. From 1981 to 1985, he was Minister in Washington. In Ottawa, Mr. Kinsman served as Chairman of the Policy Planning Secretariat of the Department of External Affairs from 1980 to 1981 and as Assistant Deputy Minister, Cultural Affairs and Broadcasting, Department of Communications from 1985 to 1990. From 1990 to the present, Mr. Kinsman has been Assistant Deputy Minister,

Political and International Security Affairs. Mr. Kinsman replaces Michael R. Bell.

J. Christopher Poole, born in Ottawa, Ontario, as Ambassador to the State of Kuwait with concurrent accreditation to the State of Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates.

Mr. Poole (BA [Honours Economics], University of British Columbia, 1966; MA, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (Tufts and Harvard universities), 1967) joined the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce in 1967. He has served abroad in Brussels, Abidjan and Bucharest. From 1982 to 1987, he was Deputy Consul General in San Francisco, and from 1990 to 1991 he was Ambassador to Iraq. In Ottawa, he has worked as Director of the East European Division, Vice-President of the Canadian Commercial Corporation and Director of the International Marketing Policy Group in External Affairs and International Trade Canada. From 1987 to 1990, he was seconded to the Government of British Columbia as Assistant Deputy Minister responsible for export marketing and as Vice-President, British Columbia Trade Development Corporation in Vancouver. Most recently, Mr. Poole was Director General, Grain Marketing Bureau with Agriculture Canada. He is married to Linda Nelson. Mr. Poole replaces Lawrence T. Dickenson.

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