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13. Telegram to President Truman on his assumption of office from the Prime Minister, read by him in the House of Commons, April 13, 1945.
14. Announcement that Canada and Sweden have agreed to bring into force immediately, as between themselves, the International Air Services Transit Agreement - press release of April 17, 1945.
15. Statement on the signing in Ottawa of the Fourth Protocol, covering the provision of supplies to the Soviet Union, by representatives of the Governments of the United States, the United Kingdom, Canada and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics - press release of April 17, 1945.
16. Telegram to the Prime Minister from President Truman expressing thanks for the Prime Minister's message upon the President's assumption of office - press release of April 21, 1945.
17. Announcement that Canada would be represented by Wing Commander E.R. Hopkins on the delegation sent by the United Nations War Crimes Commission to inspect the German "horror" camps - press release of April 26, 1945.

(C) COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN GOVERNMENT
REPRESENTATIVES IN CANADA

1. On April 6 this Department was notified of the departure from his post in Ottawa of Mr. Hilding Lowegren, Attache at the Swedish Legation.
2. Mr. Philon A. Philon took up the duties of Charge d'Affaires at the Greek Legation on April 12.
3. During the absence of the Brazilian Ambassador from Ottawa at the San Francisco Conference, Mr. Joao Emilio Riberio has been appointed Charge d'Affaires at the Brazilian Embassy.
4. On April 16, the Department was notified that Mr. Herbert Neethling would be in charge of the Office of the Accredited Representative of the Union of South Africa in Canada, while the Representative, Mr. Robert Jones, attended the San Francisco Conference.
5. Lt.-Colonel W.R. Hodson left Ottawa on April 22 to become Australian Minister to France. Dr. W. Anstey Wynes has been appointed Acting High Commissioner of Australia in Canada.
6. Mr. Edwin L. Sykes replaced Mr. A.G. Maitland as Assistant Secretary at the Office of the High Commissioner for the United Kingdom in Canada on April 24.

(D) VISITS FROM COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN
DIGNITARIES AND OFFICIALS

1. The Minister of Production in the United Kingdom, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, and the United Kingdom Minister of Food, Col. Llewellyn, spent the first three days of April in Ottawa discussing questions relating to the supply of essential commodities with the Canadian Government preliminary to attending similar discussions in Washington.
2. Mr. Oscar Gajardo, former Minister of Justice in Chile and Vice President of the Chilean Development Commission, visited Ottawa in April and was entertained at a luncheon by the Minister of Trade and Commerce, on behalf of the Canadian Government, on April 12.

3. The Netherlands Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. van Kleffens, arrived in Ottawa on April 13, for a brief visit en route to the Conference at San Francisco.

(E) APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGES IN THE CANADIAN EXTERNAL SERVICE

1. On April 4 Mr. E.D. McGreer proceeded from the Embassy in Paris to Brussels to become Counsellor at the Embassy to Belgium,

2. From April 7 to 19 the Legal Adviser, accompanied by Mr. R. Chaput of the Department, was present in Washington at the meeting of United Nations jurists to draw up a draft statute for the International Court of Justice.

3. Mr. J. George was given a temporary appointment to the Department in Ottawa on April 9 as a Foreign Service Officer, Grade I, with the rank of Third Secretary, and joined the Special Division.

4. Mr. T.A. Stone took up his duties at the Embassy in Washington on April 13.

5. On April 17 the Associate Under Secretary of State returned to Ottawa from the British Commonwealth Meeting in the United Kingdom.

6. The Canadian Minister to Cuba, Mr. E. Vaillancourt, arrived in Havana on April 25, accompanied by Mr. A.R. Menzies, Third Secretary of the new Legation. Mr. J.L. Mutter, Canadian Trade Commissioner in Cuba, will be Commercial Secretary at the Legation.

7. The United Nations Conference on International Organization opened in San Francisco on April 25. The following officers of the Canadian External Service or of the Department in Ottawa are with the Canadian Delegation attending the Conference:

As Senior Advisers: The Under Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. N.A. Robertson, Associate Under Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. H.H. Wrong, Canadian Ambassador to the United States, Mr. L.B. Pearson, Canadian Ambassador to Brazil, Mr. Jean Desy, Canadian Ambassador to the Soviet Union, Mr. L.D. Wilgress, Canadian Ambassador to Chile, Mr. W.F. Chipman;

As Special Advisers: Mr. Escott Reid of the Embassy in Washington, Mr. P.E. Renaud, Mr. C.S. Ritchie, Miss Elizabeth MacCallum, Mr. R. Chaput, all of the Department;

As Secretaries to the Prime Minister: Mr. J.W. Pickersgill, Mr. J.A. Gibson;

As the Secretariat of the Delegation: Mr. R.G. Robertson, Mr. J.L. Delisle, Miss M. Bridge.

8. On April 26 Mr. D.G. Blair was given a temporary appointment to the Department as a Foreign Service Officer, Grade I, with the rank of Third Secretary, and joined the Legal Division.

9. Mr. H.H. Carter joined the Embassy in Washington as Third Secretary on April 30.

10. Mr. A.C. Smith has been given the local rank of Second Secretary at the Embassy in the Soviet Union.

(F) PUBLICATIONS