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## NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH CENTRE (IDRC)

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, The Honourable Don Jamieson, today announced eight new appointments to the 21-member Board of Governors of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC).

Four of the new appointees are Canadian citizens: Dr. Liliane Filion-Laporte (Montreal, Quebec), Allan E. Gotlieb (Ottawa, Ontario), Louis H. Lorrain (Montreal, Quebec), and John B. Stewart (Antigonish, Nova Scotia). Four of the new appointees are from abroad: Allison Ayida (Lagos, Nigeria), Dr. Ray A. Goldberg (Cambridge, Massachusetts), Hadj Mokhtar Louhibi (Algiers, Algeria), and Jamil Nishtar (Rawalpindi, Pakistan).

The Minister also announced the reappointment of three Canadian Governors, Dr. Roger A. Blais (Montreal, Quebec), Norman T. Currie (Toronto, Ontario), and Dr. William C. Winegard (Toronto, Ontario); and two international Governors, the Honourable Rex Nettleford, O. M. (Kingston, Jamaica), and Sir Geoffrey Wilson (London, England).

The International Development Research Centre is a public corporation created by the Parliament of Canada in 1970 to support research designed to adapt science and technology to the needs of developing countries. In accordance with the Act establishing IDRC, Governors are appointed by the Government of Canada. Eleven of the Governors, including the Chairman and Vice Chairman, must be Canadian citizens. It has become the practice to draw the other Governors internationally from among people, especially in developing countries, who have made notable contributions in the field of development.

Maurice F. Strong is Chairman of the IDRC Board of Governors. Ivan L. Head was recently appointed President of IDRC.

Brief biographic notes on the appointees follow.

Allison Akene Ayida, (Nigeria), 47, is a Nigerian economist, who was formerly head of the Nigerian Federal Civil Service, and has held senior positions in the Federal Government. Mr. Ayida has represented Nigeria on various international bodies and conferences, including the International Monetary Fund, World Bank, and Commonwealth Ministerial conferences. He was, from 1967-1969, Chairman of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.

Roger A. Blais, (Canada), geologist/engineer, begins his second term as a member of the IDRC Board of Governors. Dr. Blais has been Dean of Research, Ecole Polytechnique de Montreal since 1970. He is a prominent Canadian geoscientist, and has served in executive capacities on many international scientific and technological bodies. He was recently made a member of the Science Council of Canada.

Norman T. Currie, (Canada), chartered accountant, is also reappointed for a second term as a member of the IDRC Board of Governors. Mr. Currie is presently President and Chairman of the Board of Corporate Foods Limited. Mr. Currie has long been a leader in the business community of Canada, and has served as Chairman of two non-governmental development organizations; the Canada Mysore Project, and the Canada Plus One Project.

Dr. Liliane Filion-Laporte, (Canada), 45, pediatric physician, is currently Director of the Family Medicine Unit at the Montreal Children's Hospital, and is a specialist in social and community pediatrics. Dr. Filion-Laporte is also Visiting Professor, Faculty of Social and Preventative Medicine, University of Montreal, and a faculty member of the recently-established Kellogg Centre of McGill University, an institution founded to train family medicine specialists.

Ray A. Goldberg, (U.S.A.), agricultural economist, is presently Moffett Professor of Agriculture and Business, Harvard Business School. Dr. Goldberg was a study team member, and Subgroup Chairman (Food Marketing and Distribution) of the US National Research Council, National Academy of Science's World Food and Nutrition Study. He has also been active in development through Oxfam-America, where he was Director, and as Chairman of the Advisory Committee of the World Food System, Inc.

Allan E. Gotlieb, (Canada), lawyer and civil servant, is currently Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs. Mr. Gotlieb, 50, is a native of Winnipeg. He has been Deputy Minister of Manpower and Immigration (1973-1977), and Deputy Minister of Communications (1968-1973), and had served in a number of senior posts in the Department of External Affairs prior to his appointment as Under-Secretary. Mr. Gotlieb is the author of two books, Disarmament and International Law and Canadian Treaty-Making, and has written and lectured widely on law and international relations.

Louis H. Lorrain, (Canada), 58, labour representative, was born in Kenogami, Quebec. Mr. Lorrain is presently President of the Canadian Paperworkers Union, and has been involved in the pulp and paper industry in Canada for almost 40 years. A member of both the McGill University Board of Governors and Senate, Mr. Lorrain was among the prominent Canadians honoured with the Centennial Medal in 1967.

Hadj Mokhtar Louhibi, (Algeria), 48, agricultural economist, is currently President and Chairman of the Algerian Interprofessional Grains Board. Mr. Louhibi has served with a number of international and Algerian organizations concerned with agricultural development, among them the Study Group on Grains of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (as First Vice-President), and the Algerian National Institute of Agricultural Research (as Administrator).

The Honourable Rex Nettleford, O.M., (Jamaica), educator, is appointed to the IDRC Board of Governors for a second term. Mr. Nettleford, presently Professor of Extramural Studies, and Director of Studies, Trade Union Institute of the University of the West Indies, has been in the forefront of cultural development in Jamaica and the Caribbean. He has been Chairman of the Institute of Jamaica, and Cultural Advisor to the Prime Minister of Jamaica.

Jamil Nishtar, (Pakistan), development economist, is currently President of the National Bank of Pakistan. Mr. Nishtar is also head of the newly-established Pakistan Agricultural Supplies and Services Corporation, and has been Head of the Agricultural Credit Department of the Pakistan State Bank. Mr. Nishtar's particular professional interests lie with the problems of rural development.

John B. Stewart, (Canada), 54, is a political scientist and former Member of Parliament (Antigonish-Guysborough, NS). Mr. Stewart, who holds a doctorate in political science from Columbia University, was Parliamentary Secretary to the Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Minister of Public Works, and the Secretary of State during his term in Parliament. He has written and lectured on politics and political philosophy at Columbia, Acadia, and St. Francis Xavier Universities.

Sir Geoffrey Masterman Wilson, (UK), public servant, is presently Chairman of Oxfam-England. Sir Geoffrey is reappointed for a second term as Governor of IDRC. He is one of Britain's leading development experts, having served as Secretary of the Overseas Development Administration, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, Director of the Colombo Plan Technical Cooperation Bureau, and Vice President of the World Bank. He was for six years Chairman of the Race Relations Board in the United Kingdom.

William C. Winegard, (Canada), engineer/educator, is another reappointment to the IDRC Board of Governors. Dr. Winegard is presently Chairman, Ontario Council on University Affairs, a position he accepted after retiring as President and Vice Chancellor of the University of Guelph. Dr. Winegard has an extensive background in metallurgical engineering, and has travelled both as university lecturer and technical consultant in this field.

Continuing as members of the IDRC Board of Governors are:

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| Mr. Maurice F. Strong (Canada), | Chairman of the Board, International Development Research Centre, Ottawa.   |
| Dr. Manuchehr Agah (Iran),      | Economist, Professor of Economics, Teheran University.  |
| M. Pierre Bauchet (France),     | Economist, Professor of Political Economy, University of Paris, Scientific Director of the National Centre for Scientific Research. |
| Dr. John Milton Bell (Canada),  | Professor/Associate Dean (Research), College of Agriculture, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon.                                 |
| Sir John Crawford (Australia),  | Economist, Chancellor, Australian National University, Senior Agricultural Policy Advisor to the World Bank.                        |
| Mr. Michel Dupuy (Canada),      | Public servant, President, Canadian International Development Agency.   |
| Mr. Ivan L. Head (Canada),      | President, International Development Research Centre.   |
| Dr. Victor L. Urquidi (Mexico), | Economist, President of El Colegio de Mexico.   |