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## DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS TO THE NETHERLANDS AND PAKISTAN

The Prime Minister, Sir Robert Menzies, in his capacity as Acting Minister for External Affairs, has announced the appointment of two Heads of Australian Diplomatic Missions abroad.

Mr C. T. Moodie has been appointed Australian Ambassador to The Netherlands and Mr T. W. Cutts, Australian High Commissioner in Pakistan.

Mr Moodie will succeed Mr A. R. Cutler, V.C., C.B.E., who was recently appointed Governor of New South Wales. Mr Moodie was educated at Saint Peter's College, Adelaide, and the University of Adelaide. a barrister and solicitor. Mr Moodie is a senior officer of the Department of External Affairs, which he joined in 1937. He has served in New Delhi and Washington and in London as External Affairs Officer. Since 1957 Minister, and later Ambassador to Burma from 1954 to 1957. he has served in the Department of External Affairs. Mr Moodie is married with one son and two daughters, and is expected to take up his new appointment in January.

The new High Commissioner in Karachi, Mr Cutts, will succeed Mr D. W. McNicol, who recently left Karachi to take up a new appointment as High Commissioner in New Zealand.

Mr Cutts, who was educated at Melbourne High School and the University of Melbourne, is a career officer of the Department of External Affairs which he joined in 1946 after wartime service in the Navy. has served overseas in Singapore; Ottawa; the Australian Mission to the United Nations in New York; Moscow; and San Francisco, where he was Consul-General from 1960 to 1962. Since 1963 he has been Australian Ambassador in the Philippines.

Mr Cutts is married, with two sons. He is expected to take up his new appointment in February.