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APPOINTMENT OF AUSTRALIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER  
TO GHANA

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr Whitlam, announced today that Mr R.J. Percival had been appointed Australian High Commissioner to Ghana. Mr Percival will succeed Mr J.M. McMillan who has been appointed as Ambassador to Turkey.

Mr Percival, who was born in 1926, was educated at Canberra High School and the University of Melbourne where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree. He joined the Department of Foreign Affairs in 1941 and has served in Japan, India and The Netherlands. More recently, he has been Assistant Secretary in charge of the Pacific Branch of the Department of Foreign Affairs since July 1972. Mr Percival is married and has four children.