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APPOINTMENT OF AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR TO PAKISTAN

The Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr Whitlam, announced today the appointment of Mr A.M. Morris as Australian Ambassador to Pakistan in succession to Mr F.H. Stuart who will be given another assignment.

Mr Morris was born in 1919 and educated at Geelong Grammar School and the University of Oxford. He served with the British Army from 1939 to 1945 when he joined the Department of Foreign Affairs.

He was stationed in Berlin, Bonn and New Delhi before his appointment as Australian Minister and later Ambassador to Laos from 1960 to 1964.

From 1966 he was Australian Ambassador to Austria and from 1968 was concurrently accredited as Australian Ambassador to Switzerland until 1970. He has been Ambassador to South Viet-Nam since 1970.

Mr Morris is married with three children. He is expected to take up his appointment in June.