

The Japan Society

THE INDIA IMPERATIVE: What it means to Japan, the rest of Asia and Canada

We are pleased and honoured that our High Commissioner to India

JOSEPH CARON

will be our guest at a Round Table Luncheon to be held

on Tuesday, May 26th, 2009



Joseph Caron joined the Trade Commissioner Service in 1972, and served abroad in Saigon and Ankara. In 1975, he began Japanese language studies, and subsequently served three times at the Canadian Embassy in Tokyo, including as Minister and Head of Chancery. During the 1980s, he undertook private-sector assignments involving China, Hong Kong, Korea and Taiwan. In Ottawa, he has held several positions related to Asian and international economic affairs, including G8 summitry. In 1998, he became Assistant Deputy Minister for Asia Pacific and Africa, and served as Canada's Senior Official for Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation. Until 2005, Mr. Caron served as Canada's Ambassador to China, with concurrent accreditation to North Korea and Mongolia. From 2005 to 2008, he was Canada's Ambassador to Japan. In 2008, Mr. Caron was awarded an honorary doctorate from the Meiji Gakuin University.

In August 2008, Mr. Caron became High Commissioner to the Republic of India, with concurrent accreditation as Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal and the Kingdom of Bhutan. His presentation on *The India Imperative* will be informative, interesting and enlightening. The High Commissioner will assess India's actual and potential impact on Asia and Canada, and how Canadian business should respond.

The Luncheon will be held in the Rowell Boardroom

on the 44th Floor of the offices of McMillan LLP
Brookfield Place, Bay Wellington Tower
181 Bay Street
Toronto, Ontario

from 11:45 a.m to 2:00 p.m.

Seating is limited so please reserve your place by e-mail or fax to Heather Warcop (heather.warcop@mcmillan.ca or 416.865.7048)

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