

MP Paul Calandra named parliamentary secretary



One of the MPs representing King will have some interesting tasks on his plate.

Prime Minister Stephen Harper appointed Oak-Ridges-Markham MP Paul Calandra as Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister and to the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs.

Calandra has served as the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Canadian Heritage since being re-elected in 2011.

"This appointment is a great honour. I am proud and excited to serve my constituents in this new role," said Calandra. "I look forward to the challenges of this new position and thank the Prime Minister for his continued confidence."

Calandra was one of 12 new appointments announced last week.

"These new parliamentary secretaries will play an important role in helping our government deliver on its commitments to Canadian taxpayers," said Harper. "Our strengthened team is broad and experienced, and will provide strong, stable government in a time of continuing economic uncertainty."