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At Headquarters, Ms. Asselin served on two occasions within the Legal Bureau, from 1995 to 1998 and from 2002 to 2004, where she worked in both the United Nations Legal Operations Division and the Criminal and Treaty Law Division. She also served at the Privy Council Office in the Machinery of Government Secretariat from 1998 to 2001.

Internationally, Ms. Asselin served as Counsellor and Program Manager (Politico-Military) as part of Canada's delegation to the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe in Vienna from 2004 to 2008. Upon returning to Canada, she held several management positions, including Deputy Director in the Inter-American Relations Division.

Ms. Asselin subsequently served abroad as Minister-Counsellor in Brazil from 2011 to 2015 and was appointed Canada's Ambassador to Panama from 2015 to 2018. From 2018 to 2020, she led Canada's United Nations Security Council campaign as Executive Director, and then served as Director General for Consular Policy from 2020 to 2022.

From 2022 until her current appointment, Ms. Asselin served as Canada's Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic and High Commissioner to the Republic of Cyprus. She currently serves as Canada's Permanent Representative to the International Civil Aviation Organization.