

Despite the expulsion of thirteen members of the Soviet Embassy in February 1978, and the severe warnings of the Government at that time, the Embassy had resumed, within months of the 1978 expulsions, a pattern of activity violating basic standards of diplomatic behaviour.

The Secretary of State for External Affairs expressed particular concern about the use, in this instance, of the territory of Canada by the Soviet Union as a base from which to conduct espionage operations against one of our allies.