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CANADA AND UNITED STATES ISSUE DECLARATION ON
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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, announced today that he and the Secretary of State for the United States, the Honourable George P. Shultz, have signed a Joint Declaration on Counter-Terrorism. A copy is attached. The Declaration underlines the broad range of the two countries' counter-terrorism relations and formalizes arrangements for a Bilateral Consultative Group on Counter-Terrorism Cooperation, led by the Department of External Affairs and the Department of State.

In addition to reviewing our joint progress and making appropriate recommendations regarding further counter-terrorism policies and measures, the Group will focus, inter alia, on bolstering our information exchange, enhancing border controls, strengthening crisis management capability and sharing information in the counter-terrorism research and development field. The Bilateral Consultative Group is comprised of representatives of government departments concerned with combatting international terrorism. It will meet in Washington this April and annually thereafter, and more often if required.

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