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If you have any questions, please contact the Consular Affairs Bureau of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, 125 Sussex Drive, Ottawa, ON K1A 0G2; tel.: 1-800-387-3124 or 1-800-267-6788 (in Canada) or (613) 996-8885; fax: (613) 995-9221 or (613) 996-5358. This manual, as well as other useful information, can also be found on the Department's Consular Affairs Web site (<http://www.voyage.gc.ca>).

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