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MR. CLARK COMMENTS ON THE  
DEATH OF ANDREY GROMYKO

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today offered his condolences to the family of Mr. Andrey Gromyko and his former colleagues, as they mourn his passing.

"Mr. Gromyko's death marks the end of an era, not only in Soviet but world affairs", Mr. Clark said.

As diplomat and Foreign Minister, Mr. Gromyko was the devoted servant of the Government of the Soviet Union for over 50 years. All Soviet leaders from Stalin to Gorbachev counted on his extensive knowledge of international affairs and his reliability as spokesman and emissary.

Mr. Clark has written to Mr. Gromyko's family to extend the condolences of the Government of Canada.

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