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## INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND THE GULF CRISIS

As the safety of Canadians living and travelling abroad is of prime importance, External Affairs and International Trade Canada (EAITC) is keeping a close watch on conditions as they may affect all Canadians abroad, including those in areas beyond the region immediately involved in the Gulf conflict. EAITC notes the potential risk to civilian targets outside the Gulf region given the outbreak of hostilities. If conditions indicate that Canadians should defer travel to or be advised to leave a particular area, advice to that effect will be issued immediately.

In this period of increased tension, Canadians are encouraged to keep their travel plans under close review and to contact the nearest Canadian mission for current travel advice. In Canada such advice may be obtained from EAITC, departmental Task Force (telephone: 613-992-6316).

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