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DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE TO ADOPT NEW INSTRUMENT  
PROPOSED BY CANADA FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL  
ACTS OF VIOLENCE AT AIRPORTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today announced the convening of a Diplomatic Conference, to be held at the Headquarters of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in Montreal from 9 to 24 February 1988.

The Conference is the result of a Canadian proposal, adopted by the 26th Assembly of ICAO in September 1986, to develop a new legal instrument designed to eliminate safe havens for perpetrators of unlawful acts of violence at airports serving international civil aviation. The Canadian government took this initiative after the tragic attacks at the Rome and Vienna airports in December 1985, in accordance with its policy of contributing to international efforts to develop additional measures to combat terrorism.

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