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## McDOUGALL WELCOMES CEASE-FIRE IN EL SALVADOR

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Honourable Barbara McDougall, today said that she welcomed the announcement by the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front, the rebel group in El Salvador, to cease all offensive action as of midnight tonight.

"I hope that this latest announcement will lead to a total cease-fire, which is a prerequisite to lasting peace in El Salvador," said Mrs. McDougall.

The Minister said that the Government of Canada will continue to monitor the situation closely and to encourage all parties involved to use peaceful means to resolve their differences.

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