

## HELPING CANADIANS TRAVELLING ABROAD

Over seven million Canadians have passports and make more than 80 million trips outside Canada every year. DFAIT's consular services help you prepare for foreign travel while at home and provide a variety of services once you are abroad. Our services are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, through a network of over 250 missions in more than 180 countries.

Before you go, you can consult our Travel Information Program, which tells you what you need to know about conditions in other countries, including up-to-date travel reports on safety, security or health concerns and visa requirements. You can also request our free publications on safe travel.

Once you are abroad, Canadian embassies, high commissions and consulates can be familiar territory in unfamiliar places. Among other things, consular staff can find medical help, arrange evacuation from war zones and areas affected by natural disasters, replace passports or help locate abducted children. Our sophisticated communications and computer systems allow us to keep in contact, regardless of the location or time of day. As thousands of Canadians have discovered, there are few problems we cannot try to resolve.

## ASSISTING CANADIAN BUSINESSES

Canada's ability to sell goods and services abroad, attract job-creating investment and develop the best technology is key to sustaining one of the highest standards of living in the world. The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade works with Canadian business to achieve these goals.