

### **Consular Assistance**

- Some 200 Canadian citizens were evacuated from Rwanda in April. Only a handful of Canadians have chosen to remain there.
- There have been reports of the deaths of seven Canadians during the current crisis. While the reports are credible, it has not been possible to verify them given the difficult circumstances in Rwanda.
- Canadians have been advised not to travel to Rwanda.
- Canadians resident in Burundi have been advised to leave the country. Slightly more than 100 Canadians have registered with the Canadian Consulate in Bujumbura. While a number of them have left, most have decided to remain, at least for the time being. Many of those remaining are involved in humanitarian relief or development projects.

### **Immigration Measures**

- Since April, Citizenship and Immigration Canada has issued immigrant visas to more than 50 Rwandan refugees and facilitated admission for about 60 Rwandans with close ties in Canada. Rwandan students concluding their education have been permitted to stay on and work in Canada for the time being.
- The immigration office in Nairobi continues to facilitate the admission of children who had been legally adopted prior to the outbreak of violence in Rwanda and of those whose closest relatives are in Canada.

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