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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today expressed Canada's grave concern at the continuing war between Iran and Iraq. The conflict is now entering its seventh year with untold cost in suffering and human lives.

Mr. Clark urged full compliance with United Nations Security Council resolutions 582 of February 24 and 588 of October 8, 1986 which call for an immediate ceasefire, withdrawal to internationally recognized borders and the initiation of negotiations toward a peaceful settlement. He urged the two parties to make use of the Secretary General's good offices to bring this tragic and senseless war to an end.