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## TELEGRAM TO MR. GIULIO ANDREOTTI ITALIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, released the following text of a telegram sent today to the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Giulio Andreotti.

"Dear Colleague,

I was shocked to learn that a terrorist group has commandeered an Italian liner in the Mediterranean and that 400 innocent lives, most of them Italians, are in jeopardy. In the distressing situation that is confronting your Government, let me assure you of the support of the Government and people of Canada."