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JOE CLARK'S COMMENTS ON SOVIET DECISION
ON RABINOVICH CASE

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today made the following comments on the Soviet decision regarding Mr. Alexander Rabinovich and his family:

"It is with great disappointment that I learned today of the decision of the Soviet authorities to maintain their refusal to allow Alexander and Lilia Rabinovich to emigrate from the Soviet Union to be reunited with their family in Canada. I have instructed my officials to pursue a reversal of this negative decision using every available channel. This decision, in my view, contradicts commitments undertaken by the Soviets in the Concluding Document of the European Conference on Security and Cooperation in Vienna."

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