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I had the opportunity to meet many of you last June at the dedication of the Air India Memorial in Ireland and to share your grief. The shock, distress and anger that the Air India disaster continues to cause touched me most deeply. I can only express the wish that time will lessen your pain and allow you to rebuild your lives.

The Memorial on the beautiful Irish coast will never be a substitute for lost loved ones. Yet in the wall of names, the dramatic sun dial, and the evocative location can be found a permanent monument to the memory of those who perished in this senseless tragedy. I hope that it will become a place of pilgrimage for you in the years to come.

Many of you could not travel to Ireland to participate in the dedication ceremony. I hope that, in time, you will be able to visit the Memorial that was so lovingly designed by Mr. Ken Thompson.

This booklet and video cassette commemorate the Memorial and dedication ceremony. It may, in some small way, ease the burden of your loss to know that, with this small token, your grief is shared by all Canadians.



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