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BEATTY EXTENDS CONDOLENCES TO FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF INDIAN EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

External Affairs Minister Perrin Beatty today extended Canada's deepest sympathies to the families and friends of those who perished in the earthquake in India's Maharashtra State.

"Canadians mourn with the people of India the tragic loss of life. It is an enormous disaster, which has brought much pain and suffering. Canada will provide emergency relief if such assistance is requested," Mr. Beatty said.

The Canadian Consulate in Bombay is in close contact with Indian authorities and is attaching the highest priority to determining the status and safety of Canadians in the region.

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