The Long Shot was reported missing in heavy seas off the Grenadines on December 30, 1988 with five Canadians aboard: Frances Eger of Vancouver and her children Vija and Acron; Jonathan Deitcher of Toronto; and Bill O'Brien of Coquitlam, B.C. Danny Soren, an American citizen, was the boat's skipper.

Mr. Clark expressed his appreciation to the Coast Guards and authorities of those countries involved in the extensive search for the missing vessel. He is particularly grateful to the Venezuelans for agreeing to the Canadian government's request that they conduct a repeat search off their northern coast.

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