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THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
WELCOMES PARIS CONFERENCE OUTCOME

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today welcomed the concluding declaration of the Paris Conference on chemical weapons as a major step on the road to banning these weapons. Mr. Clark, who led the Canadian Delegation to the Conference, noted that the international community, as never before, has resoundingly endorsed the objective of a total chemical weapons ban. He added that it is now of utmost importance that Canada and others involved in the negotiation at the Conference on Disarmament in Geneva of a comprehensive and verifiable chemical weapons ban take advantage of this renewed political momentum to bring the negotiation to a conclusion at the earliest possible date. He pledged Canada's continued active support to that negotiating effort.

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