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CANADA CALLS ON IRAQ TO COMPLY WITH UN RESOLUTIONS

Foreign Affairs Minister André Ouellet today called on Iraqi authorities to respect United Nations resolutions and to comply fully with the Security Council requirement for Iraq to recognize Kuwait and its United Nations-demarcated border.

"The massing of Iraqi troops on the Kuwaiti border is in gross defiance of the spirit of UN resolutions and of the Security Council requirement concerning Iraq's recognition of Kuwait. Canada joins its voice to those who have expressed their concern with regard to these latest developments, and supports U.S.-led actions to ensure that the will of the international community is respected," said Mr. Ouellet.

The Minister indicated that the message has been forwarded to the Iraqi authorities through the Chargé d'affaires of the Iraqi embassy in Ottawa. He added that the Canadian government has repeated its insistence on full compliance by the Iraqi government with all relevant UN Security Council resolutions concerning the recognition of Kuwait and its borders. In this regard, we have noted Iraq's stated intention to withdraw its troops and we look forward to concrete evidence to that effect.

Meanwhile, Mr. Ouellet indicated that our embassy in Kuwait has been in touch with all Canadians presently residing in Kuwait and that their security is not at risk for the moment.

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