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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today expressed his shock over the many lives lost in the Air India 182 disaster off the coast of Ireland. Air India 182 originated in Toronto on June 22. He expressed his sympathy and condolences to the families of all passengers and conveyed to Indian authorities Canada's deep dismay over this tragedy.

Mr. Clark condemned the terrorist bombing at Narita International Airport which took the lives of several Japanese citizens and wounded others. An explosive device appears to have been included in baggage coming off CP Air flight 003 originating in Vancouver. The sympathies of the Canadian Government have been conveyed to the Japanese authorities.

Canadian authorities are currently investigating these tragic events actively in cooperation with authorities of several other countries.