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Smuggling, drug trafficking, espionage, terrorism, organized crime, illegal immigration, the importation of guns, munitions, chemical weapons and atomic devices...these are some of the things that law enforcement agencies are trying to keep from your doorstep. The integrity of security procedures for the Passport can assist law enforcement agencies in protecting the borders.

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For the Passport Office, law enforcement agencies, the Department of Justice, the government and the cit-

izens of Canada, the most sensitive concern, one of political, economic and cultural repercussions, is that of security. The increasing movement of people around the world, both legally and illegally, will increase demands to enhance the security and integrity of the passport.

The Passport Office believes it has a duty to contribute to the safety of all Canadians, both abroad and at home.

International and national security continues to be a key issue for many nations. The Passport Office must meet the requirements of maintaining high levels of security and improving and easing travel for its citizens. The objective is to increase the level of security while not adversely affecting the passport holder or level of service.