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That is the message which Canada will be conveying to the South African authorities in official discussions on the occasion of the Ambassador's presentation of credentials and subsequently. I consider that it can be better conveyed by speaking directly to the Ambassador than by having recourse to gestures of delay which may signal disapproval but cannot spell out the seriousness of the message which the Canadian Government wishes to impress on South Africa.

In order to help assess this situation and the policy options, I have decided to recall the Canadian Ambassador in Pretoria for consultations. He will be taking part in the discussions which I shall be holding with representatives of Canadian business in September.