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DEPLORES BOMBINGS IN SOUTH AFRICA

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today deplored yesterday's bombing of Khotso House in Johannesburg, South Africa and extended sympathy to the numerous people injured as a result. He hoped those responsible would soon be brought to justice. Khotso House is headquarters to the South African Council of Churches, the Detainees' Parents Support Committee, the Black Sash and many other human rights groups.

Mr. Clark also voiced his deep concern over the recent spate of bombings in South Africa which have killed or injured scores of innocent people. He reiterated Canada's firm opposition to the use of violence by all sides, whether aimed at bringing about change or at maintaining the apartheid system. Peace and stability in South Africa can only be achieved through genuine negotiations towards the establishment of non-racial, representative government.

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