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External Affairs and International Trade Canada today issued updated travel advice to Canadian citizens living in or visiting areas affected by the Gulf crisis. This advice reflects the Department's assessment of uncertain conditions in the Middle East and other regions, and is issued to provide Canadians with the best possible information to help them to decide on their travel plans.

This advice updates previous travel advice, and recommends that Canadians living or travelling in certain countries in these regions, who plan to leave, should do so without delay. The countries concerned are Kuwait, Iraq, Qatar, Bahrain, Jordan, the Eastern Province and Central Region of Saudi Arabia, including Riyadh, Yemen, Syria, eastern Turkey, Israel and the Israeli-occupied territories, Algeria and the Sudan.

Residents in and visitors to other countries in the region, in particular Oman, the United Arab Emirates, other areas of Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Iran, Morocco, Tunisia, Libya, Pakistan, Mauritania and Bangladesh, are being advised to exercise additional caution and to keep in close contact with the nearest Canadian embassy.