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Message of Condolence by the Secretary of State for External Affairs on the Death of Archbishop Romero of El Salvador

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mark MacGuigan, has issued the following statement on the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Arnulfo Romero of El Salvador.

"The Canadian Government deplores the assassination of Archbishop Romero and I have sent a message of condolence to the Government of El Salvador. A distinguished and effective spokesman in the cause of human rights has been taken from his people. We must all hope that this tragic event will not engender further suffering for the Salvadorean people and that those concerned will move toward a just and peaceful solution of the problems faced by El Salvador."