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CLARK REFUTES COMMENTS ON PLO CHAIRMAN

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The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, today denied media reports that Prime Minister Mulroney had characterized PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat as a "terrorist and a crook" in a recent meeting with Israeli President Chaim Herzog. Mr. Clark said that, as one of the Canadian participants in that meeting, he could state unequivocally that the Prime Minister had said no such thing.

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