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## RECENT EVENTS IN THE PERSIAN GULF

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, the Right Honourable Joe Clark, said today Canada fully supports the efforts of our allies to protect international shipping and freedom of navigation in the Gulf. The information available to us indicates that the U.S. action today was fully warranted in support of this objective.

The latest escalation involving the United States and Iran in the Gulf underlines the urgency for Iran and Iraq to cease hostilities and for all parties concerned to show restraint.

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