

The Canadian Government and people are grieved at the news of the attack on the United States Embassy in Beirut with its terrible toll of death and injury. It is particularly tragic that this attack appears to be directed against the United States' efforts to secure the withdrawal of foreign forces and to assist the Lebanese Government in restoring stability in Lebanon. I hope that this senseless act of violence will not turn the United States Government from its commitment to promoting peace in the Middle East.

I would like to convey to the families of the American and Lebanese victims of this attack the deepest sympathy of the Canadian people over their tragic loss.