

Canada Outraged by Increased Violence in Syria and Deeply Disappointed by Security Council Paralysis

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February 4, 2012 - Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird today issued the following statement:

“Today’s failure by the UN Security Council to effectively deal with the crisis in Syria is yet another free pass for the illegitimate Assad regime and those backing it; Canada is disappointed in the extreme.

“This paralysis of power is particularly deplorable given the reported upsurge in violence overnight in Homs, which we condemn without reservation.

“Those attempting to cling to power in Syria are morally bankrupt, and their disregard for human life is surpassed only by their cynicism over doing what is just and right.

“Canada continues to support the efforts of Syria’s neighbours and others to resolve the current crisis. History will judge those whose obstruction serves only to prolong this senseless violence.

“Canada will stand with the people of Syria in their efforts to achieve for themselves a brighter future for all Syrians.”

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