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**STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR JOCELYN KINNEAR
IN RESPONSE TO THE MINUTE OF SILENCE MARKING THE PASSING OF
HER MAJESTY QUEEN ELIZABETH II
1389th MEETING OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL**

15 September 2022

Mr Chair,

Canada thanks the Chair and all assembled members of this Council for their recognition and respect in response to the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the second, Queen of Canada.

For most Canadians, we have known no other Sovereign. Queen Elizabeth was a constant presence in our lives, and her wisdom, compassion, humility and warmth, and her great love for Canada, will always be remembered and cherished by Canadians.

Our heartfelt condolences go to members of the Royal Family, and we share the grief with all our Commonwealth colleagues during this most difficult time.

Thank you, Mr Chair.