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Parliamentary Secretary Obhrai tells Parliament that Canada strongly behind united and multicultural India

(Ottawa) Deepak Obhrai, M.P. for Calgary East and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Foreign Affairs, today made the following statement in the House of Commons:

“Canada-India ties continue to strengthen following the very successful visit to India by a strong delegation led by Prime Minister Harper last November.

Canada is home to a large Indo Canadian community. Hindu, Muslim, Sikh, Christian, Buddhist and Jains, all contribute immensely to further this relationship.

India is the world's largest multicultural democracy. It also has a well established legal process. India today is an example of the fruits that cooperation between communities bring.

The Government of Canada and Canadians stand strongly behind efforts to strengthen our relationship and in no way will accept, support or encourage any efforts that undermine a strong, united and multicultural India.

This government strongly condemns the recent threats of violence made by extremists within the Canadian Sikh community. This is unacceptable.”

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