

>> Renée: CANADA JOINS A GROWING NUMBER OF COUNTRIES CONDEMNING ISRAEL'S SETTLEMENT PLAN SAYING IT VIOLATES INTERNATIONAL LAW AND UNDERMINES THE PUSH FOR SECURITY AND PROSPERITY IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

>> A LOT OF PEOPLE WE WERE TALKING TO HAVE BEEN STUCK FOR DAYS.

>> IT IS BASICALLY AFFECTED SO MANY PEOPLE WHICH I SEE IN THE AIRPORT HAVE TEARS IN THEIR EYES.

>> Renée: BOTH OF AIR CANADA'S NORTH AMERICAN FLIGHTS EXPECTED TO BE BACK UP AND RUNNING TODAY BUT FOR THOUSANDS OF TRAVELLERS, IT'S STILL A TREK TRYING TO REACH THEIR DESTINATION.

>>> AND HURRICANE ERIN IS HITTING ALONG THE ATLANTIC COASTLINE WITH STRONG WAVES CAUSING FLOODS AND FORCING SOME REGIONS TO CALL FOR A LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY.

>>> THANKS FOR JOINING US HERE ON CTV NEWS CHANNEL.

I'M RENÉE RODGERS ENVIRONMENT.

>>> WE'LL BEGIN WITH A LIVE LOOK AT GAZA CITY THIS HOUR.

THE ISRAELI MILITARY HAS CALLED UP 60,000 RESERVISTS AS IT BEGINS THE FIRST PHASE OF ITS HIGHLY-CONTESTED PLAN TO SEIZE CONTROL OF GAZA CITY.

IT'S A MOVE THAT IS GETTING CONDEMNATION FROM SOME EUROPEAN AND WESTERN GOVERNMENTS, INCLUDING CANADA.

OUR FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER HAS JOINED A GROWING NUMBER OF LEADERS, INCLUDING THOSE FROM FRANCE, JAPAN, AND THE UK, CONDEMNING THE PLAN.

THEY SAY THEY'RE UNACCEPTABLE AND A VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW.

IN A STATEMENT, THE MINISTER SAYS THIS PLAN DOES NOT BENEFIT ISRAELIS.

QUOTE, THE DECISION BY THE ISRAELI HIGH LEVEL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO APPROVE PLANS FOR SETTLEMENT CONSTRUCTION IN THE E1 AREA EAST OF JERUSALEM IS

UNACCEPTABLE AND A VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW.

ISRAEL GAVE FINAL APPROVAL WEDNESDAY FOR THE CONTROVERSIAL PROJECT IN THE WEST BANK THAT WOULD EFFECTIVELY CUT THE TERRITORY IN TWO.

PALESTINIAN RIGHTS GROUPS HAVE SAID THE ENDEAVOUR WOULD DESTROY HOPES FOR A FUTURE PALESTINIAN STATE.

SETTLEMENT DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA KNOWN AS E1, WHICH IS A TRACT OF LAND EAST OF JERUSALEM, HAS BEEN UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR MORE THAN TWO DECADES.

>>> THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN GAZA CITY AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS HAVE FLED AS ISRAELI FORCES ESCALATE THEIR SHELLING IN THE BESIEGED ENCLAVE.

THIS IS ALL TAKING PLACE AS MEDIATORS TRYING TO BRIDGE GAPS IN A HAMAS CEASE-FIRE PROPOSAL.

THAT PROPOSAL CALLS FOR AN IMMEDIATE 60 DAY CEASE-FIRE.

HAMAS SAYS IT WILL RELEASE TEN LIVING HOSTAGES IN RETURN FOR 200 PALESTINIAN PRISONERS BEING HELD IN ISRAEL.

TODAY UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL ANTÓNIO GUTERRES CALLED FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASE-FIRE.

>> I MUST REITERATE THAT IT IS VITAL TO REACH IMMEDIATELY A CEASE-FIRE IN GAZA AND THE UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL HOSTAGES AND TO AVOID THE MASSIVE DEATH AND DESTRUCTION THAT A MILITARY OPERATION AGAINST GAZA CITY WOULD INEVITABLY CAUSE.

>> Renée: AND THE FAMILIES OF ISRAELI HOSTAGES STILL BEING HELD BY HAMAS ARE URGING THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT TO SIGN THAT CEASE-FIRE PROPOSAL FROM HAMAS.

>> TIME IS RUNNING OUT.

THE HOSTAGES CANNOT SURVIVE MUCH LONGER IN THE HAND OF THESE BRUTAL CAPTORS.

WE CANNOT REPORT MORE FIGHTING.

>> Renée: ISRAELI OFFICIALS BELIEVE AS MANY AS 20 HOSTAGES ARE STILL ALIVE.

THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT HAS REPEATEDLY STATED THAT ALL OF THE REMAINING 50 HOSTAGES MUST BE RELEASED AT ONCE.

>>> FOR THE VERY LATEST ON THIS BREAKING STORY, YOU CAN GO TO OUR WEBSITE [CTVNEWS.CA](http://CTVNEWS.CA).

>>> MEANTIME FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER ANITA ANAND IS IN WASHINGTON TODAY MEETING WITH U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE MARCO RUBIO FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE MEETING COMES AT A TIME OF RISING TENSIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS.

U.S. PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP BOOSTED TARIFFS ON CANADIAN GOODS NOT COMPLIANT WITH THE CANADA-U.S.-MEXICO TRADE AGREEMENT EARLIER THIS MONTH. CANADA IS ALSO BEING HAMMERED BY TARIFFS ON STEEL, ALUMINUM, COPPER, AND AUTOMOBILES.

>>> NEW NUMBERS SHOW THAT CANADIANS ARE STILL STICKING WITH THEIR U.S. TRAVEL BOYCOTT, BUT AS CTV'S TRAVIS PORTMAN SHOWS YOU, SOME OF THAT COMMITMENT SEEMS TO BE WANING.

>> Reporter: AFTER MONTHS OF BOYCOTTS AT THE BORDER, TRAFFIC INTO THE U.S. PICKED UP IN JULY, STILL DOWN FROM LAST YEAR BUT THE HIGHEST WE'VE SEEN SO FAR IN 2025.

POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFESSOR JAMIE ESSEX POINTS OUT THAT'S A TREND WE ALWAYS SEE IN THE SUMMER.

>> THE TREND IS THE SAME. IT WAS JUST FEWER PEOPLE. ALTHOUGH IT IS NOTABLE THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME OUTSIDE OF THE COVID YEARS I THINK SINCE 2006 THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE COMING FROM THE U.S. TO CANADA IS MORE THAN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE CROSSING FROM CANADA INTO THE U.S.

>> Reporter: U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION DATA SHOWS NEARLY 2.4 MILLION LAND ENTRIES FROM CANADA IN JULY. THAT'S DOWN HALF A MILLION FROM LAST YEAR BUT THE STRONGEST MONTH SO FAR IN 2025 IN DETROIT SPECIFICALLY, 409,000 CROSSINGS,

ABOUT 30 THOUGH MORE THAN IN JUNE.

WHY?

ESSEX POINTS OUT POLITICAL BOYCOTTS USUALLY DON'T LAST.

>> THAT STUFF IS HARD TO SUSTAIN OVER A LONG PERIOD WHEN YOU'VE GOT TWO COUNTRIES LIKE THE U.S. AND CANADA THAT ARE DESPITE ALL THE BIG TALK THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS STILL VERY CLOSELY INTERTWINED ECONOMICALLY AND SOCIALLY AND CULTURALLY.

>> Reporter: JULY YOU A ENTRIES INTO DETROIT STILL DOWN MORE THAN 40,000 MORE THAN THE SAME TIME LAST YEAR AND DUTY-FREE SHOPS WHO DEPEND ON U.S. BOUND CUSTOMERS ARE STILL FEELING IT.

>> JULY AND AUGUST SHOULD BE THE BUSIEST TIME.

WE SHOULD HAVE PACKED PARKING LOTS, WE SHOULD BE MAKING MONEY FOR THE SLOW WINTER MONTHS. RIGHT NOW YOU WILL SEE MY STORE IN SARNIA, THE PARKING LOT IS EMPTY.

>> Reporter: THE FRONTIER DUTY-FREE ASSOCIATION SAYS SALES WERE STILL DOWN NEARLY 37% IN JULY.

CTV NEWS FIRST SPOKE WITH THEM IN MARCH WHEN TARIFF TENSIONS WERE NEW.

THAT'S WHEN WE ALSO SPOKE TO WINDSOR SNOWBIRD MARK McCON DAK WHO CUT LAST WINTER'S TRIP SHORT.

>> WE ACTUALLY CAME BACK A WEEK EARLY JUST BECAUSE I WAS GETTING REALLY, REALLY JUST UPSET ABOUT THE WHOLE SITUATION.

>> Reporter: THIS YEAR HE'S STICKING TO HIS GUNS, HEADING TO EUROPE THIS WINTER INSTEAD OF GEORGIA.

BUT HE DOESN'T JUDGE OTHERS WHO ARE HEADING STATESIDE.

>> DON'T BEGRUDGE ANYBODY WHO FEELS THE NEED TO GO OVER TO SEE OUR NEIGHBOURS.

I MEAN, WE'VE ALL GOT OUR REASONS FOR GOING.

>> Reporter: WHILE JULY MARKS THE CLOSEST WE'VE COME TO

PRE-TARIFF NUMBERS SINCE  
FEBRUARY, MANY CANADIANS STILL  
STAYING ELBOWS UP.

>> Renée: AIR CANADA SAYS MOST  
OF ITS NORTH AMERICAN ROUTES  
SHOULD BE BACK UP AND RUNNING  
TODAY AFTER RESUMING OPERATIONS  
TUESDAY.

BUT THOUSANDS OF PASSENGERS ARE  
STILL TRYING TO GET TO THEIR  
DESTINATION.

>> IT WAS OSLO TO TORONTO,  
TORONTO TO LISBON, LISBON TO  
PORTO, PORTO TO GATWICK.  
GOT QUITE A FEW CONNECTIONS TO  
MAKE.

>> WE WERE TOLD IF WE DON'T GET  
THIS FLIGHT WE WON'T BE HOME IN  
MID SEPTEMBER THE 3rd.

>> Renée: THE AIRLINE'S  
WEBSITE SAYS 97% OF DOMESTIC  
FLIGHTS ARE EXPECTED TO OPERATE  
OVER THE NEXT 24 HOURS AS WELL  
AS 99% OF U.S. FLIGHTS AND 76%  
OF OTHER INTERNATIONAL ROUTES.  
AIR CANADA HAS SAID A RETURN TO  
FULL SERVICE COULD TAKE UP TO  
TEN DAYS.

A TENTATIVE AGREEMENT TUESDAY  
ENDED A THREE-DAY STRIKE BY  
10,000 FLIGHT ATTENDANTS.

THE RATIFICATION VOTE STILL  
NEEDS TO BE HELD BETWEEN  
AUGUST 27th AND SEPTEMBER 6TH.

>>> AND WE NOW KNOW SOME OF THE  
DETAILS OF THE TENTATIVE DEAL.

A 12% WAGE HIKE IMMEDIATELY FOR  
JUNIOR FLIGHT ATTENDANTS, 8% FOR  
MORE SENIOR FLIGHT ATTENDANTS  
WITH PROGRESSIVE INCREASES  
THROUGHOUT THE FOUR-YEAR  
CONTRACT.

AIR CANADA IS ALSO OFFERING 50%  
OF THEIR HOURLY RATE AS GROUND  
PAY FOR THE FIRST HOUR OF FREE  
FLIGHT WORK ON A NARROW BODY  
AIRCRAFT AND 70 MIRRORS FOR  
LARGER PLANES.

THE GROUND PAY RATE WILL  
INCREASE TO 70% BY THE TIME THE  
DEAL EXPIRES IN FOUR YEARS.

>>> MANY CANADIANS AROUND THE  
WORLD STUCK BECAUSE OF CANCELLED  
AIR CANADA FLIGHTS ARE  
SCRAMBLING TO GET BACK TO THIS  
COUNTRY.

THAT INCLUDES UNACCOMPANIED MINORS WHO TRAVELLED PLACES WITHOUT THEIR PARENTS.

CAROLINE GOREDEBTSKI SAYS HER 11 AND 14-YEAR-OLD ARE STILL STUCK.

>> THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO COMING BACK YESTERDAY, AND BECAUSE THEY GOT BACK BASICALLY THERE -- STUCK BASICALLY THERE IN PRAGUE, WE WERE NOT SURE WHAT TO DO WITH -- WAS VERY HARD TO CONTACT AIRCRAFT AND TO GET REALLY THE PLAN AND MY FAMILY, MY [INDISCERNIBLE] ARE PHYSICIANS AND THEY NEEDED TO GO BACK SO THEY EVENTUALLY TOOK THE KIDS TO ISRAEL.

>> Renée: NOW THE 11 AND 14-YEAR-OLD ARE FLYING FROM ISRAEL TO ATHENS TODAY. THE GOAL IS TO HAVE A CONNECTING FLIGHT BACK TO CANADA BY TOMORROW.

>>> AND A LIVE LOOK AT PARLIAMENT HILL.

WE ARE LEARNING THAT PRIME MINISTER MARK CARNEY SPOKE WITH U.S. PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP TODAY.

IN A READ-OUT FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, HE SAYS THEY HAD A PRODUCTIVE AND WIDE-RANGING CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, DONALD J. TRUMP. THE LEADERS DISCUSSED CURRENT TRADE CHALLENGES, OPPORTUNITIES, AND SHARED PRIORITIES IN A NEW ECONOMIC AND SECURITY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CANADA AND THE U.S.

IT GOES ON TO SAY THE LEADERS ALSO DISCUSSED HOW TO BUILD ON THE PRESIDENT'S LEADERSHIP TO SUPPORT LONG-TERM PEACE AND