



News release

Donations for victims of earthquake in Haiti

Ottawa, Ontario, January 14, 2010 . . . In the wake of an earthquake that devastated the country of Haiti earlier this week, the Honourable Jean-Pierre Blackburn, Minister of National Revenue and Minister of State (Agriculture and Agri-Food), has a message for Canadians who plan to donate: be an informed donor. The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) is encouraging potential donors to go to **www.cra.gc.ca/donors** and consult the CRA's charities listing to confirm a charity's registered status.

"Canadians have opened their hearts and their wallets in the wake of the terrible tragedy in Haiti," said Minister Blackburn. "When Canadians decide to donate, they do so with the best of intentions and with that in mind. Sadly, there are some who would exploit the generosity of Canadians. I would like to remind Canadians that there are resources on the CRA Web site that may be of assistance, including a listing of all registered charities. Recognizing the contributions that individual Canadians have started making and will continue to make in the days ahead, I encourage all Canadians to be informed donors and donate wisely."

The CRA is reminding Canadians who plan to give to a registered charity to go to **www.cra.gc.ca/donors** or call **1-800-267-2384** for tips on how to be an informed donor.

For more information, go to **www.cra.gc.ca**.

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