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**Canada warns citizens not to travel to Haiti**

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OTTAWA, June 21 (Reuters) - The Canadian government issued a warning against travel to Haiti on Tuesday, citing a deteriorating security situation.

It recommended that Canadians not travel to Haiti unless they have compelling business or family reasons. Ottawa also said that all Canadians already in the Caribbean country should take measures to ensure their safety.

Haiti is suffering rampant violence and insecurity ahead of crucial elections set to be held by the end of the year. A United Nations force was deployed in June 2004 and has been trying to keep the peace in a country where political and gang violence has killed at least 700 people since September.

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