

STATEMENT

My remarks in the Chamber on September 22, 2023

Ottawa, Ontario – September 24, 2023

On Friday, September 22, in my remarks following the address of the President of Ukraine, I recognized an individual in the gallery.

I have subsequently become aware of more information which causes me to regret my decision to do so.

I wish to make clear that no one, including fellow parliamentarians and the Ukraine delegation, was aware of my intention or of my remarks before I delivered them.

This initiative was entirely my own, the individual in question being from my riding and having been brought to my attention.

I particularly want to extend my deepest apologies to Jewish communities in Canada and around the world.

I accept full responsibility for my actions.

Hon. Anthony Rota, M.P.

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