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NORWEGIAN PREMIER OFFERS CONDOLENCES

In a telegramme to the Russian Prime Minister, Mr. Victor Chernomyrdin, Thursday afternoon, Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland expressed the Norwegian government's profound condolences upon the tragic air accident at Spitzbergen earlier in the day.

"This largest airplane accident ever on Norwegian soil deeply affects the Russian people. I ask you to convey the Norwegian government's profound condolences to all who have lost one of their loved-ones in this tragedy", the Prime Minister wrote.