

Trudeau Defends Support for Foreigners in the USA

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Washington, March 16 (Prensa Latina) Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau recalled the need today to support foreigners during the performance of a musical at a theater in Broadway, New York.

'The world gets to see what it is to lean on each other and be there for each other through the darkest times,' he said when introducing the play on the reception in his country of about seven thousand passengers whose flights were diverted from the United States after the attacks of September 11, 2001.

Along with his wife, Sophie, and Ivanka Trump, the daughter of the American president Donald Trump, Trudeau enjoyed the musical 'Come from away' in Gerald Schoenfeld Theater of Broadway, that exhibits it from last Sunday.

The musical, written by the Canadian couple Irene Sankoff and David Heinse, addresses how the residents of the city of Gander, Newfoundland, took in about six thousand 600 passengers and crew of 38 commercial flights that were forced to land at the local airport.

US authorities diverted a total of more than 200 aircraft to Canada when they closed down US air space after the Twin Towers terrorist attacks, which resulted in more than 3,000 deaths and 6,000 injuries, mostly in New York.

When the capacities of hotels were filled, schools, fire stations and churches, took in

passengers, while food and general services were provided by the residents of that small town of about 10,000 inhabitants.

Through her Twitter account, Ivanka Trump wrote that she was honored to accompany the head of government and his wife in an emotional tribute to the way the international community joined after September 11.

The media often point to the contrasts between Trudeau government, which has so far welcomed 40,000 Syrian refugees, and the policies of the US president, who promotes a four-month ban on the entry of refugees from any country.

The head of state also wants to avoid for 90 days the arrival of nationals of six Muslim-majority countries through an order that was to enter into force today, but which was blocked temporarily last night by a judge in Hawaii.

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