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## PM unveils 4th Air India memorial in Montreal

Marks 26th anniversary of bombing

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Friends and relatives look at the names of victims at a new memorial for Air India Flight 182 Thursday in Montreal. (Ryan Remiorz/Canadian Press)

Prime Minister Stephen Harper unveiled the last of four national memorials to the 1985 Air India bombing victims in Montreal Thursday.

This new memorial in the waterfront community of Lachine, a polished black stone, follows three similar ones in Toronto, Ottawa and Vancouver.

Harper said the 26th anniversary of the bombings is a day to remember the worst terrorist attack in Canadian history. Three-hundred and thirty-one people were killed.

But the federal government is also looking forward, with the creation of a new project to fight terrorism. The Kanishka project will provide funding for a wide range of initiatives designed to increase anti-terrorism knowledge, including conferences, publications and major research projects.

"Terrorism has not and will not undermine our way of life," Harper said. "Our society remains recilient because of the basic values that bind us and make us stronger.

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Kanishka was a powerful Kushan emperor nearly 2,000 years ago; the plane bombed while making Air India's flight 182 was named after him. The five-year program will spend \$10 million on counter-terrorism initiatives.

The announcement, and memorial unveiling, were made on the National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism, an event proclaimed by the federal government and first observed on June 23, 2005.

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