

The U.S. Embassy, in Haiti's capital city, has security cameras located in various places. On the afternoon of January 12, 2010, those video cameras were operating at the moment the earthquake began - 4:53 p.m., local time.

This footage - captured by two shaking, wall-mounted cameras - reveals the extent of the earthquake's tremors. It also records a building, in the distance, as it crumbles to the ground.

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Credits:

Video clip, from the U.S. Embassy in Port-au-Prince, online courtesy the [U.S. State Department](#).

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