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## LOOMING EXPANSION OF ILLICIT DRUG USE



On May 12, 2011, the Supreme Court of Canada heard arguments on the legality of the Vancouver Drug Injection Site.

This case illustrates, in a very real way, the problems that arise when judges, rather than Parliament, determine public policy.

### Background to Drug Injection Site

The control of drugs in Canada is a matter of criminal law under federal jurisdiction. Thus, the federal government passed the *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* (CDSA), which prohibits the use of illicit drugs in Canada. Under S.56 of this Act, the federal government may permit the use of illicit drugs for scientific or experimental purposes. In 2003, the former Liberal government, which supported liberalization of the drug laws, used this S.56 loophole to license the establishment of the Vancouver Drug Injection Site as an “experiment” for three years.

When the Conservative government came to power in 2006, it was not supportive of this so-called “experiment”. The government however, did renew the license for the injection site, until June 2008, pending a review of the effectiveness of the site. Conservative Minister of Health, Tony Clement, established an Expert Review Committee to determine whether the claims of those supporting the site were legitimate, namely, that the site was a valid approach to addiction. Before a final decision was made on whether to renew the license, in a preemptive bid, just in case the Conservative government decided to shut it down, the operators and supporters of the injection site brought a legal challenge against the government, claiming that the injection site saved lives and promoted the health of drug addicts. In March 2008, the government’s Expert Review Committee on the injection site was released. According to this report, only 5% of drug addicts use the drug injection site, and only 10% of these use it exclusively for their injections, most injected drugs elsewhere as well. The Committee also found that Insite only referred less than 3% of its users for treatment. The latter is the only way an addict can stop his/her descent to an inevitable and painful death.

The Committee also found that there is no proof that crime and the incidence of HIV/AIDS and hepatitis has been reduced by the operation of the site. Instead, it would appear that the site encourages crime.

### The Site Encourages Criminal Activity

65 officers from the Vancouver Police Department patrol the five-block area around Insite, in order to control the crime. The police officers are prohibited from charging addicts with possession and, instead, are obliged to escort the addict into the injection site. 16 year olds have access to the site and first time drug users, even if they’re pregnant, may also be instructed on how to inject drugs by personnel in the clinic. The drug addict or casual user obtains illicit drugs, of questionable purity, which he/she then brings into the site for injection purposes. It is estimated that each addict causes \$350,000 worth of crime each year in order to feed his/her addiction. It is not surprising, therefore, that, in 2006, Vancouver had the second highest rate of violent and property crime of any major city in the United States or Canada.

These truths about the drug injection site have been overridden by a drug advocacy group that has published approximately two dozen “studies”, all showing positive results for the site. The advocacy group’s “studies” have long been criticized for their methodological and technical deficiencies. Significantly, the studies’ researchers have refused to disclose their data to other researchers. In addition, the researchers have a conflict of interest, since they lobbied for the establishment of the site over a decade ago.

However, the mainstream media have parroted these questionable studies, without context or caveat, presenting them as established fact.

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## The Supreme Court Hearing

The week that this case was to be argued before the Supreme Court, the Insite advocacy group released a strategically timed “scientific study”, which concluded that from its “observations”, the drug injection site had reduced deaths from drug overdose by 35%. This conclusion was questionable, since the government committee found that only 5% of the Vancouver drug addicts actually used the site. Further, the Government of British Columbia Selected Vital Statistics and Health Indicators reported that drug induced deaths have increased each year in the site area (with one exception) since the site opened in 2003.

This advocacy group’s “study” on its “observations” on drug overdose was given a high profile in the mainstream media in Canada. The same week of the hearing, two newspapers, widely read in the Ottawa area, the *Globe & Mail* (May 11, 2011) and the *Ottawa Citizen* (May 7, 2011), published editorials in support of the injection site and referred to the supposed fact that the drug injection site had reduced deaths from overdose by 35%.

All this favourable publicity in support of the injection site, was not lost on the Supreme Court judges. During the arguments, Madam Justice Beverley McLachlin stated that Insite was an experiment “and it worked”. She went on to state “Lives are being saved, diseases are being prevented by this site, and we are putting too fine a point on it by saying the site has nothing to do with it?” Mr. Justice LeBel stated “In the end this program..., works” “Have you got anything that tends to demonstrate that this program doesn’t work?” he added.

But evidence had been introduced by the federal government that Insite was not working, i.e. the Expert Advisory Committee report—but the judges appeared to have ignored or overlooked this evidence. There were 13 intervenors in the case, including REAL Women, which was the only intervener opposing the injection site. All the remaining intervenors, for reasons of personal, professional and financial bias, supported it. It was fortunate that REAL Women did intervene, as it was apparent that the Supreme Court judges were not aware that non-addicts, first time users, and children as young as 16 years of age, are allowed access to the injection facility. Further, the judges learned in our statements that the UN International Narcotics Control Board had criticized Canada on numerous occasions for establishing the site, the only one in North America, as being contrary to UN drug treaties that Canada had ratified.

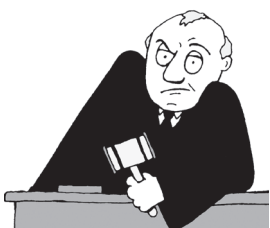
Interestingly, whenever REAL Women referred to “children” having access to the site, Madam Justice Rosalie Abella insisted that they are not “children”, since they are 16 years of age. However, the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child provides, in Article 33, that “children” must be protected from access to and the use of drugs, and defines “child” as all those under 19 years of age. Apparently, Madam Justice Abella is willing to overlook this UN Convention and give 16 year olds the legal capability to determine their use of illicit drugs. Since many 16 year olds forget to bring their lunches to school, it is questionable whether they are capable of making such a life and death decision.

## The Result of the Supreme Court of Canada Decision

The Supreme Court will hand down its decision on the drug injection site this fall. It is possible that it will circumvent the thorny issue of the federal government’s constitutional right to decide Canada’s drug laws, by concluding, based on the propaganda planted by the advocacy groups, that the drug injection site is necessary to protect drug users’ life and health. If so, the court will probably do so under the catch-all provision of S. 7 of the *Charter*, which provides that “everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of the person”. S. 7 has been a useful means by which judges in Canada have boldly amended legislation, by writing in and re-interpreting legislation, giving legislation a meaning never intended or agreed to by the legislators yet conveniently in accordance with the judges’ own perspective. For example, S. 7 has been applied by the courts to strike down the abortion law, the pornography law, undermine religious rights and, recently, to strike down Canada’s prostitution laws. That is, the wording of S. 7 is so vague and broad that it can be interpreted to mean anything the judges want it to mean, in order for them to change legislation they don’t like, by claiming that such legislation is “unconstitutional”.

Consequently, it is entirely possible that the Supreme Court will apply S.7 of the *Charter* “right to life and security of person” to order the federal government to license drug injection sites across Canada (perhaps with some restrictions, ie. age limits, etc). Thus, a handful of politically appointed lawyers (only a majority of five is necessary), sitting on the Supreme Court, with no special knowledge or insight and no accountability for their decision, could fundamentally change Canadian drug laws. If this happens, it will be a direct assault on democracy. †

## JUDGES ARE ILL POSITIONED TO MAKE PUBLIC POLICY DECISIONS



The recent announcement by two Supreme Court Judges, Mister Justice Ian Binnie and Madam Justice Louise Charron, that they intend to retire from the bench at the end of August 2011, provides the opportunity to reflect on the role of judges in Canada.

It appears that judges persist in making public policy decisions, despite the fact that they are ill positioned to do so for a number

of cogent reasons.

They have limited access to social data, depend on biased arguments of the litigants, and on unreliable information in the media. Isolated from society, judges are not exposed to differing perspectives, since there is no public debate, which occurs in Parliament.

The problem of the courts making public policy decisions was exacerbated during the early years of the Charter of Rights, when its interpretation and application were being settled. These crucial, early cases, which determined the framework on which

Charter decisions would be made, occurred, unfortunately, at the time when the federally funded Court Challenges Program (CCP) provided money for legal challenges to only left-wing organizations. Conservative organizations, such as REAL Women, which upholds social norms and traditional values—determined by slow accretion and experience in wiser and less disruptive times—had to fund their own cases. Therefore, conservatives were unable to provide any significant balancing arguments before the courts in many critical cases.

The vivid reality is that Charter decisions are highly contingent on socio-political choices. Rigorous, legal analysis plays an increasingly minor role in Charter thinking by the courts. This lack of in-depth assessment in Charter decisions emboldened the Supreme Court to arrive at decisions aided by the arguments of left-wing organizations that lacked both legal soundness and credibility.

As a result, appointed, unaccountable judges have made public policy decisions on significant matters, such as abortion, pornography, religious rights, hate crimes, homosexuality, same-sex marriage, and, more recently on prostitution. These decisions have had an enormous impact on Canadian society. Judges, however, have no special knowledge or insight to make such policy decisions.

Homosexual activists have stated that they would never have achieved the legalization of same-sex marriage and their other legal successes, without the generous funding they received from the Court Challenges Program (CCP). The homosexual newspaper, Capital Xtra (October 19, 2006), stated:

*No group has benefited more from Court Challenges funding than the queer community. Thanks to clever interventions from groups like Egale Canada we have achieved equal relationship recognition, and with the Charter of Rights as a backbone, we've fought homophobia and discrimination in classrooms and workplaces.*

The CCP funded 41 cases for homosexual activists between 1994-2005, and funded over 140 legal challenges for the radical feminist, legal organization, LEAF (Women's Legal Education Action Fund), which resulted in advancing the feminist agenda by way of the courts.

There is no equality when only one side of controversial issues is funded by the taxpayers and, thereby, argued before the courts. It is ironic that the CCP, funded by the Canadian taxpayer, was supposedly established to support equality and non-discrimination but was, in fact, one of the most biased and discriminatory agencies in Canada.

The courts were more than willing to make liberal public policy decisions under the Charter by applying the broad words of Section 7 of the Charter, ("Everyone has the right to life,

liberty and security of the person") and Section 15 (the Equality provision). These words mean whatever the judges want them to mean. That is, the broad words of the Charter enabled the judges to promote their own, private, political attitudes and preferences in order to undermine social norms.

This willingness, on the part of the courts, to assume a legislative role was exemplified by the statements of two female judges on the Supreme Court of Canada, Madam Justice Rosalie Abella and Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin. In 1998, Judge Abella stated, in the decision *Regina v. Rosenberg* (which allowed same-sex couples to apply as "spouses" under the *Income Tax Act*):

*... elected governments may wait for changing attitudes in order to preserve public confidence and credibility. Both public confidence and institutional credibility argue in favour of courts being free to make independent judgments notwithstanding those same attitudes.*

In 2005, Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin stated, in a speech, that judges may base their opinion

*"on unwritten norms even in the face of enacted laws or hostile public opinion."*

She reached this bizarre conclusion on the belief that judges have a "judicial conscience, [which] is founded on the judges' sworn commitment to uphold the rule of law." These women obviously live in a privileged and elitist world from which they feel entitled to pontificate and arbitrarily impose their personal values on Canadian society.

In fairness, judges can reasonably argue that they have been handed the authority to make these public policy decisions under the Charter by Parliament (although not by the provincial legislature). Nowhere however, have the judges been given the specific authority to boldly amend legislation, by writing in or writing out words and expressions, as well as re-interpreting legislation to give it meaning never intended or agreed upon to by the legislators, but, conveniently, in accordance with the judges' own private political attitudes and preferences. The judges have assumed themselves the authority to make these dramatic changes to legislation.

The unfettered and arbitrary power of politically appointed judges is a direct attack on democracy. Appointments to the bench must be based on merit, i.e., integrity, experience, and knowledge, and the willingness to take a deferential approach to legislation. Consequently, before appointment to the bench, the nominees' philosophical views should be analyzed, as well as the potential judges' judicial history, if any.

Hopefully these points will be considered before the two new judges are appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada. †

## ABORTION IS EVIL

Abortion is evil, probably the worst evil that has arisen in the last half of the twentieth century.

Nothing is more cruel and inhumane than deliberately killing innocent human life because that life is inconvenient. Mankind has sunk to the deepest depth of cruelty by legalizing abortion and making it socially acceptable. The act of abortion can never be whitewashed. Its evil lurks in every corner, dark

and ugly, and contaminates everyone who comes near it.

Today's generation will be criticised and judged by future generations, which will be astounded by our depravity in allowing the merciless slaughter of millions of our own children. How will we ever explain this or rationalize what we have done? There is no plausible explanation for the horror we have created.

We have also used our advanced medical knowledge and techniques to make the abortion procedure quick and efficient and so sterile that it cuts down, but never eliminates, the risk to the mother, while being 100% fatal for the innocent, unprotected child.

### **Sex Selection Abortions**

Even worse, we have used abortion to specifically kill off unborn female children to satisfy a cultural desire for males.

In 1985, the ultrasound was developed, which can determine the health and gender of the child in the womb. However, with this technology, as many as 12 million girls in India, for example, have “gone missing”, according to the leading British Medical Journal, “Lancet” (May, 2011). This genocide in India has occurred despite a booming economy and big cities full of luxury cars and glittering malls.

Girls are more expensive for impoverished families in India, who are required, when marrying off their daughters, to pay elaborate dowries. A son, on the other hand, will one day bring home a bride with a dowry. The son looks after his parents in their old age. The daughter must look after her husband’s family. Yet, the worst offenders for sex selected abortions are in urban areas, among high income earners, who can afford to bypass laws, passed in 1994, to ban revealing the gender of the unborn children in an attempt to stop sex selection abortions.

China’s one child only policy has also led to the loss of female babies, either by sex selection abortion or abandonment or death, immediately after birth. This has led to hundreds of thousands of young men unable to find wives. They are called “barren branches” in China since they will never have children.

Their ever increasing numbers are leading to civil unrest, kidnapped women and trafficking in women.

Canada has not escaped sex selected abortions. According to Statistics Canada, abortions for gender reasons are being performed in several areas in Canada that are highly populated by immigrants from India and China. The normal gender rates of birth have clearly been altered in these areas, so that there is now a marked gender gap between the births of males and females. Unfortunately, under our current abortion law, abortions may be performed for any reason so that there is no prohibition of abortion for gender reasons.

REAL Women wrote to every provincial and territorial Minister of Health on June 15, 2006, requesting that they look into the matter and, should gender bias be confirmed, that they consider regulating the ultrasound procedure to prohibit the disclosure of a child’s gender prior to birth so as to preclude abortion being performed for gender reasons. We received a positive response from many of the Ministers.

### **The Silence of Feminists**

The usually aggressive, self-righteous feminists have remained deathly silent about this slaughter of their own gender. Why? Because they have boxed themselves in by their mindless slogan of “choice”.

If feminists acknowledge that “choice” may include an exception, i.e., to protect unborn females, they would then be admitting the utter idiocy of their argument, that no human life is destroyed by the act of abortion. Meanwhile, the unintended consequences of “choice” and the horrors of abortion have never been more apparent or more offensive to concerned Canadians. †

## **THE TRUTH ABOUT TEACHING HOMOSEXUALITY**

**Homosexuals regard instruction of children as necessary in order to promote their own disordered lives and ensure the continuity of their specific culture into future generations.**

Homosexual activists piously argue that the only purpose of introducing anti-bullying programs under the misnomer, “school equity policies”, is to protect homosexual youths from distress and ill treatment. Simplistic, politically correct and/or intimidated education officials, especially those in Ontario and British Columbia, have obligingly accepted this argument at face value, either not realizing or refusing to admit, that they are being manipulated. The purpose of this manipulation is to push the homosexual agenda on impressionable children by deliberately hiding the crucial facts about homosexual sexuality and lifestyle with all its attendant, devastating health and psychological consequences.

Advertising too is being directed towards children,

especially those from religious families. For example, in the U. S., Fox, Google and Disney have placed ads sponsored by homosexual activist, Dan Savage, called “IT GETS BETTER”. The ads feature Hollywood personalities and a character from the popular Disney movie series “Toy Story”, who speaks to young people about homosexuality. These ads, using the power of prime time television and Google, infiltrate the home and the family to get the homosexual message across.

This all amounts to a full-fledged attack on our children.

Homosexuals regard this instruction of children as necessary in order to promote their own disordered lives and ensure the continuity of their specific culture into future generations.

This homosexual strategy however, was recently disclosed by a homosexual contributor, Daniel Villarreal, in the homosexual online magazine, “Queerty”. Mr. Villarreal stated, “that’s a lie” that homosexuals do not want to indoctrinate children. Rather, he stated, “We want educators to teach future generations of children to accept queer sexuality. In fact, our very future depends on it”. He went on to say, “Recruiting children? You bet we are”. In fact, Villarreal said



that the homosexual lobbyists' entire aim is to increase not only the acceptance, but also the practice of homosexuality in future generations.

The Gay, Lesbian/Straight clubs pushed in Canadian schools have been the perfect tool to achieve this objective.

These clubs are mere window-dressing, supposedly to eliminate bigotry, oppression and the creation of so-called "safe" schools, but in reality their purpose is to advocate homosexual sex, sometimes by implicit, sometimes very explicit, instructions, and even to carry it out with adults.

These clubs also support gender change, even for elementary age children. The clubs are used to directly exploit vulnerable children to accept and live out damaging,

dangerous homosexual behaviour. By-passing parents is usually a trademark of these clubs, especially parents with religious and or moral objections.

In short, homosexual activists want access to our children to normalize homosexuality. Just so long as parents and schools let them get away with it, they will continue to spread their obnoxious tentacles deeper and deeper into our children's lives.

Where are the gatekeepers for our children in all of this? Certainly not the politicians, educators, or the media, who want to appear to be "with it", and tolerant and caring. In fact, they are meek vessels of self-seeking opportunism with no backbone to protect the children for whom their programs are being directed. †

## CANADA'S BIRTHRATE RISES AT GLACIAL SPEED

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In 2008, Canada's birth rate went up from 1.66 children per woman of child-bearing age in 2007, to 1.68. This is better than the rates decreasing of course, but it will be a long time before, if ever, we reach the level of 2.1 children per woman—the rate needed to replace Canada's population in the absence of immigration. It is due to our high levels of immigration, incidentally, that Canada's overall population has not declined, despite our dismal birth rate.

### Reasons for Declining Birthrate

No one can put their finger on exactly why Canadian women are so reluctant to give birth. It could be that women in the paid workforce cannot cope with managing larger families. It could be that the average age for a first marriage shifted from 21 for women and 23 for men in 1970, to 26 and 28, respectively, today. This means that women are missing out on their peak fertile years. Maybe it's the material nature of our times—when career goals and acquiring nice houses, cars and vacations are regarded as more important than children.

There is, however, another strange phenomenon affecting the fertility rate. It is that many young men today are troubled by a low and/or damaged sperm count. This has never been a problem in the past—in fact, some would say there was formerly too much sperm out and about! Today about 15% to 20% of couples who want to get pregnant are not able to conceive, and many of these cases can be traced to the male.

There is much speculation as to why male fertility is declining. It has been suggested it may be due to:

1. Cell phones located in men's pockets. According to the *International Journal of Andrology* (May 12, 2011), there may be a link between cell phone use and lower quality sperm. Although it's not entirely clear, researchers believe that the electromagnetic waves coming from cell phones increase the number of testosterone-producing cells. At the same time, these waves may also lower the levels

of luteinizing hormone, which may interfere with sperm production and fertility. The problem is that researchers still have more questions than answers. However; it is possible this might soon change, as there has been an explosion of interest on the subject of 'male fertility' and cell phones, which is leading to more research and a clearer understanding of what the risks may be. According to Dr. Keith Jarvi, head of Urology at Mt. Sinai Hospital in Toronto, the issue of cell phones and fertility is a huge unknown right now, "but there is something there";

2. Laptop computers operated on men's laps is a common practice today, which may be creating a problem in regard to men's fertility. More and more studies indicate that heat generated from laptops can significantly elevate the temperature of the scrotum, potentially putting sperm count at risk. Apparently, a combination of heat generated by the computers and the posture needed to balance the equipment on the lap, leads to the raised temperatures around the scrotum. The problem is that when working on a laptop, men adopt a less natural position, i.e., the legs closer together in order to balance the laptop, and it is this posture that causes a significant rise in body heat between the thighs. The *Journal of Human Reproduction* gives a warning to teenagers and young men that they should consider cutting time spent with a computer positioned on their lap because of the possible long-term damage to their fertility.

3. Hormones from the birth control pill or other chemicals in the water supply that are not removed in the filtering system. (The pill was only developed in the 1960's). The increasing number of malformed fish in our lakes and rivers may be giving us a clue about this possibility.

In 2010, Canada received 280,000 immigrants—the highest level since the 1950's. We are in desperate need of these immigrants. However, at the same time, we should also be concerned about the reduced fertility among young men. The latter is creating endless sorrow for couples who want one of the most meaningful of human experiences—a family.

The answer to this mystery would help Canada, as well, as it would inevitably lead to more births. †

# SWEDEN IS NO PARADISE FOR FAMILIES



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**leading to the breakdown of families and a depressed, stressed population.**

One calamity that Canada's federal election avoided was the establishment of a national day care programme. All three opposition parties were adamant that such a plan would be immediately implemented if any of them formed the government, or joined together in some sort of coalition or alliance. Fortunately, the winning Conservatives were equally clear that they had no intention of establishing a national day care plan, but instead would continue to make child benefit payments directly to parents.

## Quebec's "Universal" Child Care Plan

Quebec's \$7.00/day, so-called "universal" childcare system has been found by several studies to be disastrous both for children and parents—albeit a convenience for parents in the paid workforce.

The problems with the Quebec programme, i.e., poor quality care, favouring upper and medium income families over poor families, disruptive children and a weakening of parental skills and bonding with their children are apparently duplicated in Sweden, where 92% of children between 18 months and 5 years are in subsidized day care. This costs the Swedish government \$20,000 annually per child.

## Child Care in Sweden

The culture in Sweden is such that parents who keep their children at home until 3 or 4 years of age are socially

marginalized. There is little or no financial support for parents with children cared for at home. Most parents are in the work force due to the high taxes, as well as cultural push for gender equality. As a prominent Swedish politician recently stated, "keeping children at home rather than in daycare is a violation of a child's 'rights'."

## Effect of Swedish Childcare Programs

According to consultant, Jonas Himmelstrand, a Swedish educator for over 25 years and the author of the 2007 book *Following your Heart in the Social Utopia of Sweden*, Sweden has behaviour and discipline problems in schools among the worst in Europe, due to the decreasing psychological health of youth. Girls age 15 to 19 have experienced a 30% increase in mental health problems. Academic performance in Sweden has plummeted. This is ironic since childcare is supposed to make children academic achievers. Tragically, if their children are kept for long hours in childcare, parents in Sweden do not develop the necessary confidence to raise their children. Their parental instincts decrease and they lack the ability to set limits on their children and sense their children's needs, according to Mr. Himmelstrand. Children and parents become alienated, since the children do not develop a psychological attachment to their parents, but instead, because they are being raised in large groups of their peers, they look to their peers for approval.

The Swedish model of care, from cradle to grave, is not only a wild financial disaster, but is also damaging psychologically, leading to the breakdown of families and a depressed, stressed population.

Mikhail Gorbachev, in his book, *Perestroika: New Thinking for our Country and the World* (1988), identified the problem with child care when he speculated that perhaps the breakdown in Russian society with its prevalence of alcoholism, divorce, abortion, etc. may be due to the separation of young children from their mothers in daycare at too early an age. Will we ever learn? †

# NO PEACE WITHIN THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY



**There is now a serious difference of opinion within the party...over which faction... will control it in the future**

One would think that supporters of the Conservative party would be able to peacefully rest after the May 2, 2011 election when the Conservatives won their long sought majority.

Unfortunately, there is no peace within the Conservative party as there is now a serious difference of opinion within the party. The essence of the battle is over which faction within the party will control it in the future. This battle raged during the 2011 Conservative Convention held in

Ottawa in June and it will be ongoing.

## Background to the Problem

There is a strong possibility that about the year 2014, Mr. Harper will be stepping down as leader, requiring that a new leader be selected. It is how the next leader will be elected that is at the heart of the battle. This is a crucial decision as it will determine whether the Reform/Alliance, social conservatives, likely under the leadership of MP Jason Kenney, or whether the red Tory fiscal conservative (definitely not social conservative) MP Peter MacKay or his backup, former MP Environment Minister Jim Prentice (if he decides to enter the fray), will control the destiny of the Conservative party for years to come.

The Reform/Alliance policy had been based on a one member, one vote by direct election. However, at the time

of the merger of the Progressive Conservatives and the Alliance parties in 2003, it was agreed that the vote on the merger would be based on the Progressive Conservative's Policy of one member, one vote point system which allocates 100 points to every riding regardless of how many members vote. In other words, this system weighs the votes of every riding as equal no matter what the number of votes, whether ten votes or 1,000 votes.

The decision on the voting process, according to Peter MacKay, was settled permanently at the time of the merger, and each riding must be treated the same, regardless of the number of members in each riding. MacKay ignores the fact that a party constitution is always subject to amendment or change.

### **MP Peter MacKay (Central Nova)**



Mr. MacKay is ambitious and has every intention of taking control of the party after Mr. Harper's departure. He therefore forcefully rejected the resolution before the June convention brought forward by

MP Scott Reid (Lanark-Frontenac-Lennox and Addington) to change the 100 point system to a fair and more balanced approach by allocating a minimum of 100 points to each riding with up to 100 votes plus additional points to larger associations up to a maximum of 400 points.

### **The Story Behind the Difference in Opinion**

At the time of the 2003 merger of the Alliance with the Progressive Conservative Party, Mr. MacKay insisted one of the terms of the merger was that the Conservative party must be founded on the principle of equality of ridings. This meant the Reform/Alliance members would not dominate over the less numerous Progressive Conservative members. Mr. MacKay is determined to retain this, as it enables him to set up riding associations in the Atlantic Provinces and Quebec where party membership is low (or non-existent) either because of small populations or lower levels of support among voters at large, than in ridings in the west and southern Ontario where the party is much stronger. Most of the western ridings have many members, but their large number of votes are weighed the same as Mr. MacKay's Atlantic and Quebec ridings

This suits Mr. MacKay just fine, as the votes from his small ridings will carry the same weight as any other riding across the country despite the wide discrepancy in their memberships.

Mr. MacKay doesn't admit that this is the reason for his support of the 100-point equality of riding's policy. He and his supporters, instead, claim the purpose is to prevent one region from dominating the voting process and encourage Quebec to be more comfortable within

the party.

Prior to and during the convention both Mr. Reid and Mr. MacKay distributed e-mails and flyers to the delegates. Mr. Reid called for a system to balance regional interests with party membership. Mr. MacKay claimed the voting system in place works well so that there is no reason to change. There has only been one leadership race under the new Conservative Party (Mr. Harper in 2004), so the system can scarcely be described as the one and only solution that "works".

### **The Convention**

Mr. Reid's resolution was defeated. Mr. MacKay strode through the Convention, clearly believing that he was the Crown Prince and heir apparent to the Conservative leadership. Furthermore, many resolutions that passed were calculated to please him as a fiscal conservative, blanking out some socially conservative resolutions that might tie his hands in the future.

### **The Workshops**

At the convention, the policy resolutions were divided into three topic categories. All three-policy workshops, as well as a constitutional workshop, ran at the same time. This made it difficult to attend more than one workshop in order to not miss voting on individual resolutions as they were presented.

The convention in June had new rules for voting and ranking the top ten resolutions to go to the Plenary session. The resolutions on palliative care and euthanasia passed at the workshop and were ranked in the top ten and should have gone to the Plenary. However, under the new rules, neither resolution received an affirmative vote of 80%. Consequently, both resolutions were dropped from the top ten list.

The workshop began with resolution # 46 and ended with resolutions # 42 to # 45. Palliative care was # 42 and the euthanasia resolution was # 45. Had they been placed at the top of the list in proper number order, they would have received a higher total number of votes, as more delegates are present at the beginning of a workshop than at the end. These two important resolutions were placed at the end (which it is believed was no accident) and consequently were knocked off and never made it to the Plenary. Thus, the hands of the party will not be tied on this moral issues in the future.

On the positive side, resolutions that were passed in the Plenary session included one recognizing tax relief for homecare givers and another was against the legalization of prostitution. A resolution supporting the Canadian justice system which does not support a "parallel justice system" also passed. This may well be designed to prohibit the Islamic Sharia law being implemented in Canada as it has been implemented in the UK.

A resolution passed at the 2005 Convention stating

that the Conservative “government” defines marriage as a union of one man and one woman was reworked. It now states that the “party” supports legislation defining marriages as the union of one man and one woman. This change in wording, however, no longer requires the government to initiate any such legislation. This again, was believed to be a deliberate manoeuvre.

### **The Role of Social Conservatives**

The fiscal conservatives under Mr. MacKay think they have the party sewn up and the social conservatives will just have to quietly accept Mr. MacKay as the next party leader, for the good of the party, since he will have been elected “democratically” by the “reasonable” equality of ridings 100 point system. This could explain the decision by former strong Reform MP’s Stockwell Day, Chuck Strahl and Jay Hill deciding not to run in the 2011 election.

The scenario of the social conservatives quietly conceding to the fiscal conservatives is possible, but

unlikely. It is in fact, a false hope on the part of Mr. MacKay. There is no way social conservatives will accept his leadership. He has a past history that has shown him to be untrustworthy. During the then Progressive Conservative party’s leadership race in March 2003, Mr. MacKay signed a contract with another leadership contender, David Orchard that he would not unite with the Alliance party, and on this condition, Mr. Orchard threw his votes to him in the leadership race. Mr. MacKay then became the leader of the Progressive Conservative party. However, within weeks of his obtaining the leadership, he began secret discussions with Mr. Harper on the merger of the two parties. In October 2003, the parties agreed to merge.

Mr. MacKay will undoubtedly promise that he will not abandon the social conservatives within the party if he assumes the leadership. No one would be so naïve as to actually believe him. Mr. MacKay, we know, will do, say and sign anything to achieve personal power. ‡

## SUN MEDIA ZOOMS



**Sun Media is apparently what many Canadians have been waiting for [and] is guaranteed to keep one’s blood pressure down**

How liberals sneered at the announcement that a conservative news network, Sun News Media, would be established in Canada. Former CBC political commentator, Don Newman, burst out of his retirement to warn Canadians that the proposed news channel would distort the news. As if he didn’t do so himself for years as a Liberal party sycophant. John Doyle, the Globe & Mail TV critic, pronounced he didn’t much care about the upcoming conservative news channel because no one was going to watch it anyway and it would rapidly disappear. The mainstream media CBC and CTV staunchly maintained that another news channel was unnecessary because they already present news that is fair, balanced and objective. Of course.

The graceless author, Margaret Atwood, claimed bitterly that the news channel should be stopped before it got off the ground and ruined the country (for her and her liberal friends?).

### **How is Sun News Media Doing?**

Sun News Media is doing remarkably well, surpassing all expectations. It has been in operation for only two months and the viewing figures are as follows:

CBC — 10.6M | CTV — 8.5M | Sun — 5.6M

These results have occurred despite CTV’s two decades’ head start on Sun News and its better dial placement.

The popular US conservative Fox News, which was launched in the last part of the 1990’s, had, after 12 months, the same number of viewers as Sun News obtained after only two months on-air—even though Fox News had a viewing public that was 10 times that of Canada.

### **Sun News Commentator Brian Lilley**



Sun Media’s commentator, Brian Lilley, has proven to be a particularly popular commentator on Sun News. Mr. Lilley, a conservative, has gone so far as to say the truth on air,

for example, that prostitution is “immoral”. The shock. The horror.

His program, Byline, drew 70,000 viewers on June 17, 2011 — beating established programming on the CTV News Channel by a margin of 51,000 viewers. That same evening, Sun News programs won or tied every show against CTV News for nine hours straight.

### **Sun News — A New, Unapologetic, Conservative Channel**

Sun Media is apparently what many Canadians have been waiting for. If one doesn’t have cable, maybe it’s worth purchasing it. Watching the news on Sun Media is guaranteed to keep one’s blood pressure down — quite the opposite from watching the other news channels in Canada, that have had to be endured for years. ‡



# THE DEATH OF THE STATUS OF WOMEN?



**Feminists would never have risen to such prominence and influence in Canada without**

**the endless money and policy support poured out for them from this agency.**

Since the Status of Women agency (SOW) was established in 1973, it has been at the very epicentre of the feminist movement in Canada.

Feminists would never have risen to such prominence and influence in Canada without the endless money and policy support poured out for them from this agency. As a result, because of SOW, Canada now has to grapple with the fall out from feminist judicial appointments and policy decisions, such as those concerning foreign aid, UN, taxation, criminal laws (sexual assault), family law (custody, access, support), no-fault divorce, affirmative action (which policy was written into the *Charter of Rights* as a constitutional right), employment laws (pay equity), domestic violence, etc., all of which were written through the feminist lens. These policies, in turn, are based on socialist principles, which were incorporated into the SOW mandate by the previous Liberal government, under the influence of the NDP.

The House of Commons Standing Committee on the Status of Women has also served as the political arm of the Liberal/NDP agenda, in order for women to make recommendations for the Liberal government, which obediently followed these orders to implement feminist ideology in Canada.

It is obvious, that since Canadians have now voted for a majority Conservative government, tax funded agencies such as SOW and the Parliamentary Status of Women Committee, supposedly representing Canadian women, but using a socialist platform, must be disbanded. These agencies have hitherto been functioning as tools for changing our institutions, in order to suit the Liberal and NDP vision. Canadians have clearly rejected this supposed utopia. Reality has set in. It is time to abolish the taxpayer-funded, feminist agenda.

Moreover, times have changed since the SOW was established. Women are far from being the discriminated victims so fervently characterized by feminists. Rather than remain fossilized in the mindset of the 1960's, Canada needs a new vision for the future, which includes the wide range of expectations held today by women and men for building careers and families.

## **Feminists Raise the Alarm**

Until this last election, NDP MP Irene Mathysen (London-

Fanshaw) had spent her entire federal political career as NDP Critic for the SOW. Simply put, her time and energy was spent, non-stop, pushing the feminist agenda.

In June 2011, Ms Mathysen issued a statement announcing mixed feelings about her removal as NDP Status of Women Critic in order to be replaced by MP Françoise Boivin (Gatineau).

In her June statement, Ms Mathysen stated that there is a real concern that the Conservative government may eliminate the House of Commons Status of Women Committee, now that they have a majority government.

She stated: "When the question was asked in the House by our critic, Françoise Boivin, Rona Ambrose, the minister responsible for the Status of Women, dodged the question and did not commit to keeping the FEWO" [Standing Committee on the Status of Women].

Ms Mathysen then urged her feminist followers to write to their MP, and Ms Ambrose to tell them how important the SOW Committee (and the SOW Agency) is.

If Ms Mathysen is right, it is positive news that the government may be considering getting rid of these biased and powerful instruments of feminist propaganda.

We must let the government know that it is a great idea to abandon these anachronistic symbols of an expensive and useless past.

Please write to the following to request the disbandment of both the Status of Women agency and the House of Commons Standing Committee on the Status of Women. Neither serves any positive purpose in the twenty-first century. It's time they were relegated to history.

## **Please write to:**

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### **The Honourable Tony Clement**

(who is seeking ways to reduce the budget by \$4.8 billion)  
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# WHAT TO DO ABOUT THE WORLD POPULATION PROBLEM?



**The United Nations Population Division admits, itself, that 79 countries, including several dozen in the less developed world, have**

**fertility rates below replacement level.**

The UN and other population experts have been ringing alarm bells for years—screaming that death and annihilation would soon be upon us due to overpopulation. However, statistics indicate irrefutably, that the world has quite the opposite problem—underpopulation.

What are agencies, such as the UN Population Division of the Economic Cultural and Social Council (ECOSOC), for example, to do to keep the panic button flashing before us on the population issue? This is a problem, especially because the United Nations Population Division admits, itself, that 79 countries, including several dozen in the less developed world, have fertility rates below replacement level.

The answer for these propagandists is simple: just smudge the statistics to leverage them to justify the continuation and expansion of population control and abortion. The UN Population Fund provides part of the UN Family Planning Division (UNFPD) funding. The latter is, first, last, and always a population control group. In order to keep its funding flowing, UNFPD uses junk science for its political objective, to force abortion and birth control on other countries.

It's significant though, that the presence of Swedes, Norwegians or Dutch don't seem to worry these experts. They seem happy to allow these Europeans to occupy the earth especially since they only do so at less than replacement level. It seems, however, that it is the brown, black and yellow people whose numbers experts want to decrease.

## **The Philippines**

Hordes of international population organizations, such as UNFPA, the US Agency for International Development (USAID) and Bill Gates Foundation, have poured unlimited financial resources promoting “reproductive health”, ie. contraception and abortion, into the Catholic Philippines. The European Union has added to the pot by promising €35 million as an enticement for the Philippines to embrace “progressive” reproductive reforms. Population experts argue that these policies will eliminate poverty, but its real purpose is to eliminate the poor.

## **Nigeria**

Another target of the population control experts is the blacks residing in Nigeria. The UNFPA reported, in May 2011, that the Nigerian population is skyrocketing and that, by 2100, it will be behind only India and China in population. Dr. Jeffrey Sachs, special advisor to the UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon and head of the Earth Institute, is calling for huge population control methods to be implemented in Nigeria. Yet, Nigeria has a growing and expanding economy, as well as social security highly dependent on population growth. The Nigerians themselves argue that controlling the country's population is not the answer to their internal problems, such as maternal and infant health, poverty and unemployment. As stated by Dr. Phillip C. Njemanze, chairman of the Global Pro-Life Alliance and for the Association of General and Private Medical Practitioners of Nigeria, foreign agencies are prioritizing population control for their own purposes.

The excuse that population control measures involving use of abortion and contraception may help lower maternal mortality rate is fallacy, ... it would only reduce the number of women called mothers, through measures that are not acceptable.

## **Poland**

Even though residents of Poland are not brown, black or yellow, they apparently have another undesirable characteristic, in that they, like those in the Philippines, are Catholic, and, as a result, are prone to have large families. In order to attack this problem, it was decided to challenge Poland's abortion laws, among the strictest in Europe, in the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR).

The case against Poland's abortion law was perfectly built by pro-abortion and population control experts. Information about the case was not made available through the normal channels, and this lack of transparency deprived pro-life advocates of any intervention in the case. There were good legal reasons, as well, why the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) should have refused to accept the case, but it did so anyway. In addition, the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Health intervened as a third party in the case before the ECHR, alleging that he represented “the consensus” among UN monitoring bodies and international health organizations: what an arrogant assumption. The Rapporteur had no authority to intervene in this case, and by doing so, abused his position. However, ethics apparently isn't of concern to him and his backers.

The ECHR ruled in favour of the applicant challenging the abortion law. The pro-abortion organizations and

population experts are claiming a victory but this is not so clear cut, especially since the decision was issued by the Lower Chamber of the Court and will probably be appealed to the higher court.

Also, the ruling did not accomplish all that was intended, since the decision ruled that a sovereign state and not individual health professionals had the right to determine whether a doctor may refuse to perform pre-natal genetic testing, ie. make conscientious objections. The court did state, however, that refusal of genetic testing and abortion was a violation of a woman's right under the UN Convention on Human Rights.

### **Polish Reaction to ECHR Ruling**

The Polish nation apparently is not easily pushed around by the ruling elites in the EU. Reaction was swift to the ECHR ruling. On May 29, 20,000 people walked through the streets of Warsaw carrying posters objecting to abortion.

This march followed a flash petition against the ECHR ruling which gathered more than 600,000 signatures in only a few weeks. The medical association, lawyers and journalists backed a ban on abortion. A bill was then introduced in the Sejm (lower house of Parliament) on June 23, 2011. This bill provides for a total ban on abortion. It was passed 264-151 on June 30, 2011 and now goes to a committee for further examination. The committee will report back to the Sejm by September 1, 2011. It will take time to make its way through the Polish Parliament, but it appears to be favourably accepted, not only by the majority of Parliamentarians, but also by the Polish public.

### **Russia**

Meanwhile, Russia has a population that has declined from 142 million in 2002 to just under 140 million in 2009 — less than half the population of its rival superpower the United States (322 million) and far behind the rising powers of China and India.

Basically, there are more Russian deaths than births. At present, Russia has a gender deficit of 10 million men. Consequently, the expression, “family planning”, takes on a whole new meaning in Russia, which is desperately attempting to shore up its declining numbers. In doing so, Russia has been highly creative, sometimes using quite bizarre methods. For example, one ultranationalist politician, Vladimir Zhirnovsky, proposed introducing polygamy, with men being allowed up to five wives. This was actually debated in the Duma. In 2006, a senior politician suggested reintroducing a Stalinist era “bachelor tax”— also known as a childlessness tax, which would apply to men and women.

Nothing, however, is more creative than the Black Sea city of Novorossiysk, which declared “a week without abortion” to coincide with the Russian day of motherhood in November. It ordered businesses to let people off work early during that week for the purpose of going home to

boost the population by devoting themselves to “child making”.

Prime Minister Vladimir Putin has been vocal about the demographic problem in Russia and the need for financial compensation for women to have children. In 2007, he introduced a maternity allowance of 250,000 rubles (about \$10,000) to encourage women to have a second child. Current president, Dmitry Medvedev, has promised to make a birth incentive, non-cash “maternity capital” available this year to pay home mortgages. His wife, Svetlana has founded an organization to promote family values, including a “right of the child to life”.

Other foundations have been formed by Natalia Yakunina, the wife of Vladimir Yakunin, the powerful chief of Russia's railroads. These foundations are backed by the Russian Orthodox Church. One such foundation, Sanctity of Motherhood, has conducted a pilot program in Krasnoyarsk, an industrial city in Siberia, working with doctors and journalists to shift public opinion and women's choice away from abortion. The abortion rate in Krasnoyarsk, among women who had gone through the program, dropped by 16%.

On June 26, 2011, the Russian government announced that it will open medical pregnancy centres in all the major cities in Russia. These centers will form a national network of modern state-of-the-art medical facilities that will provide a complete range of services in obstetrics and post-natal care. The centres will not perform abortions as a matter of principle, and will also act as pregnancy-crisis centres.

Legislation is now before the Duma that will restrict or even outlaw abortion, preventing the harmful effects to women and saving the lives of 4 million+ babies per year. The average Russian woman has seven abortions during her lifetime.

Although fertility has recently risen somewhat in Russia, it is not clear which schemes have influenced the birth rate. There is, however, apparently no shortage of ideas in Russia as to how to approach the problem of under-population.

### **World-Wide Decline in Birthrates**

The World Congress of Families is assisting in solving the problem of the international demographic winter by organizing a demographic summit to be held this July in Moscow to discuss the issues of the dramatic worldwide decline in birthrates. The conference will analyze the phenomenon, examine how this crisis was reached, and suggest solutions to what could be the greatest challenge confronting humanity in this century. While pro-life spokesmen (Russian and international) will play a prominent role in the Summit, so too will demographers, economists, sociologists, authors, researchers and political and religious leaders, whose primary concern lies in other areas.

The time is long overdue that this under population problem be addressed. †

# HOMOSEXUAL NARCISSISM WITHOUT BORDERS

With confidence, we can say that homosexuals are one of the most intolerant and narcissistic groups in society. They screamed, they bellowed, they cursed when Toronto's Mayor Rob Ford decided to skip the 2011 Gay Pride Parade to spend the Canada Day holiday weekend with his family at the cottage. The mainstream media joined in this chorus of anger and hatred against Mr. Ford.

In addition, apparently in an effort to advance the homosexual cause, the media reiterated the untruth that a million people attended the parade. This is mathematically impossible in the 3.1 km. parade route. The crowd density was on average 4-6 people deep and the total number of people can be generously set, at most, at approximately 154,000 persons: far fewer than attend Toronto's annual Caribana Parade each August.

Why do homosexuals think their events are a priority over everything else? Who are they to demand that everyone should drop everything to appear at their events?

No other group expects prominent people to attend as a right, their events. For example, the March for Life in Ottawa was not attended by the mayor of Ottawa. This did not give rise to anguish and wild complaints by the organizers of a pro-life event. So be it. That is just the way it is. So why do homosexuals think their parade is so special that everyone should adjust their plans around it?

Canadian lesbian singer, k.d. lang, looking at the rows and rows of empty bleachers during the 2006 Out Games (homosexual international sports event), held in Montreal, demanded to know why Prime Minister Harper was not there. Why on earth would he be? Running the country might well be an explanation for his absence. The gay sports event may be a point of interest for homosexuals, who want to meet each other and to party, but why would sensible people put out money for expensive tickets to sit hours in bleachers watching not very accomplished individuals swim, play volleyball or whatever, in competition with other equally unblest athletes? The only point of the event was that the participants were homosexual. Observers could more easily and more comfortably sit, without

any expense, at their local swimming pool or sports field. Who cares about the participants' orientation?

Similarly, who cares to watch immature, naked, gyrating bodies shooting each other with water pistols in a Gay Parade? It's hardly a turn on—unless you're into things grotesque, repulsive and immature. The parade is an embarrassment to mature, thoughtful homosexuals who only want to quietly live their lives without public comment.

Even high profile homosexuals, such as Toronto Star columnist Brent Ledger, is turned off by Gay Pride Parades. In his column of June 25, 2011, he called the Gay Pride Parade "bloated, redundant and overblown" with "dubious value to gay people".

Although the Gay Pride Parade officials agreed not to allow non-registered organizations, such as Queers Against Israel Apartheid (QuAIA), to participate in order to receive municipal funding, a group pushing a similar agenda, called Dykes and Transpeople for Palestine, marched in the dyke parade the preceding day, as part of the week-long "gay" festivities. They held banners saying "Israel Apartheid" and "Boycott Israel's products". Toronto City Council will have to decide now whether municipal funding for the parade should be withheld.

Homosexuals argue that the Gay Pride Parade marks their progress from a beleaguered minority to a prominent, influential part of society, expressing their homosexuality. Walking naked down the street is a questionable way to show it.

Historically, blacks have been hugely discriminated against, as have Jews for long, terrible centuries. But one doesn't see them shaking their naked buttocks on Toronto's Yonge Street. They have too much pride, dignity, and sense of their self-worth to do so. And homosexuals then wonder why mainstream Canada regards them and their parade as a circus sideshow, conducted by confused, immature individuals.

Interestingly, the parade is named "Gay Pride Parade". Where is the pride in their exhibitionist antics?

Because they keep behaving in an immature, highly sexualized manner, one can only conclude that they are uncontrolled narcissists, who have no *borders* or controls on their behaviour. †

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