

## FEDERAL ELECTION, MAY, 2011



The deed is done. The three opposition parties defeated the minority Conservative government on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 156-145 on a non-confidence motion that the Conservatives were in contempt of Parliament, (who isn't?). Election day is May 2, 2011.

The opposition parties (except the Bloc Caucus) are not doing well at the polls. An IPSOS Reid poll, taken March 22-23<sup>rd</sup>, has Stephen Harper's Conservatives holding a commanding lead at 43%, with Liberals at 24%, and the NDP at 16%. The gap will undoubtedly narrow during the election campaign. However, it is so wide a gap that it is virtually impossible for the Liberals to overcome it. The question then, is why an election now?

There is speculation that the Liberals realize that their leader Michael Ignatieff is not a winner with Canadians. They want the election done and over with so as to crown another leader to restore the party to its rightful role of running the country. Perhaps, too, it is possible that Mr. Ignatieff is tired of the political game at which he doesn't seem to have much talent. Having given it his best shot, he can then withdraw after the election from the political scene with some dignity, and return to his more rewarding career as a professor at Harvard. Mr. Ignatieff may be hoping for another Conservative minority

government. Then he can join with the other opposition parties to defeat the Conservatives and form a coalition with himself at the helm, just like in the famous painting of George Washington crossing the Delaware to defeat the British – but, in this case, defeating the hated Conservatives. Mr. Ignatieff has strenuously denied that he will form such a coalition if another minority Conservative government is formed. Never, he says. He also said the same thing in the 2008 federal election, but just a few weeks later he attempted to form a coalition. A coalition is inevitable if the Conservatives again achieve only a minority position. On this there is no doubt. This is because it is absolutely certain that the three opposition parties are heartily sick of being in opposition.

The opposition parties will be joined in their campaign to oust the Conservatives by the multitude of left wing NGO's who have lost funding under the detested Conservatives, (see article "Left Wing Organizations Under Siege"). The mainstream media (MSM) will be watching, like cats observing mice at play, for the slightest mistake on the part of the Conservatives. Then the MSM will pounce on them to make the mistake as major a national trauma as possible. Then the MSM will claim that only a Liberal/coalition government will be able to rectify the situation. You can count on that. ‡

## LEFT WING ORGANIZATIONS UNDER SIEGE

**The comfortable lives of left wing organizations in Canada were shattered when the Conservative minority government was elected in 2006.**



No longer did these organizations have a sympathetic government looking fondly over their shoulders while they engaged in the promotion of a left wing ideology; no longer did they have a government routinely rubber stamping their grant applications for ever-increasing shovels of tax payers money for which they were never held accountable.

However, despite this, there are still far too many of these groups, being funded by the Status of Women and other government departments.

The perch on top of the elite pyramid of some of these funded left wing organizations, where they directed traffic (i.e. policies), was shot from under them by the loss of funding and as a result, their hatred of the Conservative government is visceral. They have a burning desire to destroy the Conservatives, so as to return to the old order, which would restore them to their rightful place setting official policy.

No language is too outrageous ever, to describe their hatred of the Conservatives—no opportunity to provide an avenue of attack is missed by them.

Consequently, Canadians have witnessed, over the past five years of Conservative government, a series of high profile publicized meetings whose sole objective is to undermine the credibility of the Conservative government.

One such meeting took place at the University of Ottawa on February 18, 2011. The topic to be discussed was "Women,

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Canada and the World: Is Canada Failing?" This meeting was sponsored by The McLeod Group which is an organization dealing with development assistance, human rights and gender equity. The event was co-sponsored by Embassy Journal, which is supposed to reflect foreign policy initiatives, but which basically is merely an anti-Harper newspaper. The program was hosted by University of Ottawa's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and was chaired by Huguette Labelle, a former long time bureaucrat, former president of Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and who is now Chancellor of the University of Ottawa.

The panelists were all carefully selected left-wingers. They included Sandeep Prasad, executive director of Action Canada for Population and Development (ACPD), which is the political arm of Planned Parenthood. Another panelist was Leilani Farha who represented the Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation (CERA), which was funded by the Status of Women since 2002, in the amount of \$523,959. It has now only been partially defunded by the Status of Women. This organization is a member of the Feminist Alliance for International Action (FAFIA), which is a coalition of 75 feminist organizations. These latter organizations include CERA and ACPD (see above) as well as the Canadian Council of Muslim Women (see below). FAFIA has received over \$2 million in grants since the year 2000 from the Status of Women.

Ms Farha, on the Steering Committee of FAFIA, stated that Canada needed a pro-democracy movement like Egypt. There was a demise of democracy in Canada, etc., it feels like hostile territory to her personally as an Arab Canadian. She continued that Canada holds International policies that are completely out of step with the world, that the present government has a racist policy against Muslims and Arabs that contributes to a culture of Islamophobia, which creates an atmosphere of permissible hate and fear. She criticized lack of day care, cutting the mandatory long form census, which attempted to measure household unpaid work, and the attack on women's rights through funding cuts. "Women are a decimated population with no national women's voice of dissent" she said, they are "at wit's end" with no resources and overburdened with social responsibilities, children and elderly.

Audience participants echoed the panelists. Veteran feminist Maria Neil was extremely critical of Prime Minister Harper. She has been a spokeswoman for the Canadian Council of Muslim Women which received \$786,088 from the Status of Women from 2005-2009. The Council is now funded by Citizenship and Immigration. Ms. Neil, an inveterate feminist gadfly has also been active with the National Council of Women and the Canadian Federation of University Women. Any organization will do to support her ideology.

A video of the McLeod Group event can be seen on CPAC at: <http://www.cpac.ca/forms/index/asp?dsp=template&ate&act=view3&pagetype=vod&hl=e&clipID=5207>

Beyond a shadow of a doubt these left wing organizations will be active in the 2011 federal election in an attempt to prevent the Conservatives from returning to power.

## A TAXPAYER'S INQUIRY

✧ Why is the Department of Citizenship and Immigration funding the Canadian Council of Muslim Women since it has such anti-Conservative views? In addition to the Status of Women funding stated above, this organization received \$199,292 from the Department of Citizenship and Immigration in 2010.

✧ Why are the following federal agencies and departments funding the proposed International Feminist Conference "Women's Worlds 2011" to be held in the Ottawa area in July, 2011?

- Status of Women in the amount of \$1,016,400

- International Development Research Centre (IDRC)—\$100,000. This government agency was established in 1970, supposedly to help developing countries use science and technology to solve its problems. However, over the years the agency has become a feminist institution to spread this ideology in the developing world. In addition to its funding of this conference, IDRC is also a member of the planning committee for this conference.

- The Federal Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (the amount of funding is not specified).

- Heritage Canada (the amount of funding is not specified).

✧ Labour Unions.

- Why is the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) using its compulsory union dues to fund this conference?

- Why is the Canadian Auto Workers (CAW) using compulsory union dues to fund this feminist conference?

✧ Why did the CBC and its national reporter Ian Hanomansing support the feminist organization West Coast LEAF's (Women's Legal Education Action Fund) March, 2010 Equality Breakfast, which raised almost \$50,000 to support feminist equality-related projects, litigation, education workshops and family law research? West Coast LEAF is one of the intervenors in the B.C. Polygamy case supporting polygamy in the case of consenting adults.

The Status of Women in the year 2007-2008 funded West Coast LEAF in the amount of \$124,000.

Why are the taxpayers paying to promote feminism in Canada? †

# REAL WOMEN OF CANADA IN THE COURTS

**REAL Women has been busy in the courts upholding the traditional Canadian family of mother, father and children. Our court interventions include the following:**

## POLYGAMY, B.C. SUPREME COURT



There are 12 intervenors in this case. Those in support of polygamy include the B.C. Civil Liberties Association, which is arguing that the dominant (Christian) morality should not be imposed by the law. The Feminist organization

West Coast LEAF (Women's Legal Education Action Fund) is arguing that polygamy should only be prohibited when it is exploitive or abusive of women; and should be permitted for consenting adults. The Canadian Polyamorous Association (which believes in more than one intimate relationship at a time, with members of either sex, as long as there is consent from all those involved) is also intervening on behalf of polygamy.

REAL Women, however, is arguing that polygamy is harmful to women and children and results in women becoming chattels to men, while depriving children of the immediacy and intimacy of a father. In addition, REAL Women is arguing that polygamy creates a hierarchy, dominated by older men with multiple younger wives, who are indoctrinated to obedience, submissiveness and sexual subservience at young ages and denied education and other choices in life. Polygamous marriage also results in young men having to compete for these women, and, as a result, being pushed out of the polygamous community, without education or support.

## PROSTITUTION

REAL Women has joined in a coalition with the Christian Legal Fellowship and the Catholic Civil Rights League in an appeal to the Ontario Court of Appeal on the prostitution case because, last September, the lower court in Ontario struck down the Criminal Code provisions on prostitution.

REAL Women is arguing that laws prohibiting prostitution must be upheld in order to protect vulnerable individuals who may find themselves forced into prostitution. The prostitution laws are a reflection of Canadian society's moral views, because prostitution is an act that offends the conscience of ordinary Canadian citizens. Further, we are arguing that our laws on prostitution serve an important objective in that they target individuals, such as pimps, who profit from prostitution, exploit women and children under their control, and disrupt and terrorize neighbourhoods.

The case will be argued in the Ontario Court of Appeal in June, 2011.

## VANCOUVER DRUG INJECTION SITE



In 2003, the Liberal government established a drug injection site in Vancouver, the only one in North America. The UN Narcotics Control Board has criticized Canada for establishing this site as it is in direct contravention of UN Conventions

previously ratified by Canada. According to the 2008 report of the Federal Expert Advisory Committee, which studied the injection site, it costs over \$3 million a year to maintain – money which could be used instead for treatment beds. The Advisory Committee also found that the site does not reduce crime: it is used by only 5% of drug addicts in the area, and it refers only 3% of its clients for treatment. Further, the number of deaths from drug overdoses in Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, where the injection site is located, has increased each year since the site was established, even though deaths by drug overdose have decreased elsewhere in the province.

It is significant that 65 Vancouver police officers are required to patrol the five block area surrounding the site in order to control the violence. The addicts obtain their own drugs, costing them approximately \$35,000. each annually: most of this money is obtained from crime.

The drug site not only harms the addicts by encouraging and deepening their addiction, which often leads to their death, but leads to a deterioration of the neighbourhood and leads to the rise of the "survival sex trade" by women addicted to the drugs who turn to street prostitution to pay for their habit. The site has also created an unsafe environment for impressionable teens, who believe that the use of illicit drugs is socially acceptable because the government operates a free drug injection site.

There are twelve other opposing intervenors in this case, with REAL Women being the only intervenor holding an objective perspective on the Vancouver drug injection site. The other intervenors have a financial, ideological or professional interest in the continued existence of the Vancouver drug injection site.

This case will be argued before the Supreme Court of Canada on May 12, 2011.

## IMPACT OF THESE CASES

The final outcome of these cases will have a dramatic impact on Canadian society. That is why REAL Women felt obliged to intervene in them so that the court would hear arguments from the pro-family perspective.

These cases are very trying, but also very expensive to undertake.

We would be grateful, therefore, if you could financially support REAL Women in its defence of Judeo-Christian values in the Canadian courts. Please make your donation to "REAL Women Legal Defence Fund", please also remember our efforts in your prayers. ‡



# WOMEN AT THE UN

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Every year the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) organizes a meeting on the status of women.

No matter what the theme of the meeting, a game is played by the feminist NGOs and anti-family delegations, such as the European Union, the U.S. and UN agencies like the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). Their game is to push as many anti-family, anti-life references as possible into the document, which include references to abortion, homosexuality, independence of adolescents from parental control, and the introduction of such expressions as “gender comprehensive education”, and “sex education”, so as to provide an opening for the UN to facilitate anti-family policies.

The process of negotiating these documents involves many twists, turns and deceptions. However, this manipulation is always met with strong opposition from pro-family NGOs and pro-family delegates, such as those from Africa, the Islamic countries and the Caribbean.

An example of this dance between the opposing parties occurred when the EU proposed, during the 2011 CSW conference, an innocent enough sounding amendment – namely, that “the International Guidelines on HIV/AIDS and Human Rights”, be inserted in the document. These Guidelines, however, call for the legalization of same-sex marriage, legalized prostitution, protection for men having sex with men, mandatory graphic sexual education for children, and penalties for people who criticize homosexuality. These are not your everyday ‘apple pie and motherhood’ provisions.

The American pro-family organization, Family Watch International, wise to the tricks of the anti-family forces, quickly distributed excerpts from these Guidelines to the appalled delegates. As a result, a coalition of pro-family nations, including the African, Islamic and Caribbean voting blocs, together with Russia and the Holy See, defeated this proposed amendment.

Another battle arose over the issue of “gender”. The Holy See opposed the term “gender” throughout the negotiations unless it was carefully defined. This is because sexual rights activists are seeking to expand the definition of gender in UN documents to include homosexuals and the transgendered, in order to strike down laws, such as those defining traditional marriage.

Fortunately, the pro-family delegation managed to add the words “men” and “women” after the word “gender” so that its meaning would not be expanded. Another debate arose over, of all things, the role of mothers. Some of the Western nations took the position that portraying women as mothers

was harmful, claiming it was a negative stereotype that prevents women advancing in the work place. Despite this objection, the pro-family delegates managed to include in the document the provision that motherhood be recognized, because of its social significance in the upbringing of children and in the caring of other family members. An African delegate, during the same negotiations, proposed the protection of women as wives be inserted in the document. This was met by a horrified gasp. Guffaws and laughter then rudely drowned out the African delegate’s proposal.

A diplomat from the Chile delegation stunned the conference by stating that “respecting human life is the key to reducing maternal mortality”. She cited a recent study that found that after Chile banned therapeutic abortions in 1989, maternal mortality in Chile decreased by 88%. She said that the reason for this change was the promotion of safe pregnancy in her country rather than the promotion of abortion. Chile and the Holy See then jointly called upon the CSW to protect the unborn child – a shocker to many of the delegates.

## SIDE PROGRAMS

While the battle raged on the negotiating floor, another battle raged in the 250 parallel programs sponsored by NGOs. For example, the American National Education Association (NEA), the largest teacher’s union in the U.S., conducted a side event on combating “homophobia” and “transphobia”. It informed the audience that “oral sex, masturbation, and orgasms need to be taught in sex education in schools”. It was also stated that abstinence based programs and allowing children to opt out of sex education programs would turn sex education into an oxymoron.

Another side event was sponsored by the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF). It was called “Let’s Talk About Gender and Rights”. At this event, the audience was advised that “you have a right to have sex with whomever you want, whenever you want, have a child whenever, with whomever, or not have a child ever.” During their question and answer period, however, the IPPF panel had to grapple with some very embarrassing questions, such as some about its founder Margaret Sanger being heavily involved in eugenics, about Planned Parenthood’s offices being concentrated in black neighbourhoods, and about why the organization did not teach abstinence. The audience was not the accommodating one that the IPPF had anticipated.

## POSITIVE SIDE EVENTS

There were also some positive side events put on by pro-family organizations, such as Concerned Women for America, and Australia’s Endeavour Forum. REAL Women put on a program entitled “Women Balancing Work Life with Family Life” to a capacity and very receptive audience. The session was moderated by REAL Women’s National President, Cecilia Forsyth. One of the panelists was REAL Women member

Theresa Nault from Legal, Alberta, who told her personal story of being a stay at home Mom who had to go to work when her husband was injured. The other panelists at the session were Shelley Locke from Families International and Jeanne Head from International Right to Life.

The battle at the CSW has ended for another year, only to start up again at the 2012 meeting. The presence of pro-family NGOs is essential to prevent pro-family delegates from being swallowed up by the western nations, intent on enforcing their unacceptable values on the entire world. ‡

## CHILDREN INDOCTRINATED TO ACCEPT HOMOSEXUALITY

**In order to obtain society's continued support for their agenda, homosexual activists must indoctrinate the younger generation to unquestionably accept homosexual behaviour and their promiscuous culture.**



To do so, the activists claim that homosexual/lesbian students are subject to bullying in schools. They argue this can be alleviated by so-called equity policies and gay/straight alliance clubs in the schools. To bolster its claim of supposed homosexual bullying in the schools, the homosexual organization, EGALE, distributed a questionnaire to be completed by school children – online if so desired. Naturally this loosely distributed, biased questionnaire indicated the necessity that anti-bullying programs and gay/straight alliance clubs be implemented in all schools in order to protect homosexual/lesbian students from bullying. This is the entry used by the homosexual activists to gain access to large numbers of students.

Under this pretense, some provincial governments have ordered school boards to establish anti-bullying policies. They also recommended that gay/straight clubs be established in the schools. These policies are simply propaganda tools used for the promotion and acceptance of homosexuality.

### ONTARIO

Last September, the Ontario government provided an “Equity and Inclusive Education Policy” (EIE), and the government required all publicly funded school boards, both public and Catholic, to implement it.

Although disguised as an anti-bullying strategy and a way to end racism and sexism, this equity policy goes far beyond these goals. All individual school boards were expected to recognize sexual orientation under this policy as grounds for non-discrimination. The Education ministry also suggested that schools celebrate Gay Pride events, use texts by homosexual authors, and promote gay/straight alliance student clubs.

### BRITISH COLUMBIA

B.C. has experienced the double whammy of not only the former Attorney General, Wally Oppal's agreement with

a homosexual couple to implement homosexual friendly policies from kindergarten to grade 12, it is also now being pressured by the B.C. Teachers' Federation (BCTF), via an aggressive campaign, to accept and celebrate homosexuality. In accordance with this campaign, some schools are encouraged to establish a “Day of Silence” (April 15, 2011) for homosexuality, an International Day Against Homophobia (May 17, 2011) and a Week Against Homophobia (May 17-21, 2011).

There are no countervailing, positive messages given to students on marriage and family, to offset this provocative material. Therefore, the program is simply one-sided propaganda. It cannot fall under the category of “education”, but is, instead, indoctrination.

### BULLYING IS UNACCEPTABLE

No one supports the bullying of any student for any reason.

However, if insensitivity is really a problem in our schools, instead of an equity policy, based on sexual preference and lifestyle choice, we must demand a general equity, anti-harassment policy. This truly inclusive policy would address all students who face ridicule, no matter what the reason. It would promote true tolerance, equality and acceptance. That is, a school equity policy should teach acceptance, kindness and respect for all students and staff without placing the primary focus on particular issues, such as homophobia and heterosexism as is the case at present. Simply put, to engage in one-sided advocacy for homosexuality discriminates against others, such as Christians, Jews, and Muslims, who believe homosexual practice is wrong.

The current anti-bullying policies in the schools must be halted. We have already witnessed the fall out from such policies in the State of Massachusetts. In May 2010, Massachusetts passed anti-bullying legislation. As a result, in its 2011 state budget, millions of dollars were set aside for the promotion of homosexuality in the schools, which included funds for teacher training on homosexuality and outreach to promote homosexual diversity in the schools, as well as for homosexual “school health services”. (see MassResistance.org)

### WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

Please contact your provincial Premier and Minister of Education and raise your concerns about any anti-bullying policies that are in fact “anti-homophobic” policies. Insist that if an equity policy is implemented in your province, it must be a general anti-harassment policy only.

If such “anti-homophobic” policies are already established in your schools:

1. Establish an informal network of like-minded people to work together to support a School Board equity policy that does not promote the homosexual lifestyle, upholds moral teaching and respects the rights of parents as primary educators.

2. Discuss these concerns by letter, phone, fax, email or, most importantly, in person with School Board Trustees, both Public and Catholic, in your area. Catholics are also requested to raise their concerns with their local Bishop. Everyone should be respectful, calm, and factual in the discussions.

Speak and act in kindness as you strive to promote faith based teachings. Try to maintain an on-going line of communication, and don't give up.

3. Attend School Board meetings. It is best to have at least two people attend together to witness the meeting. When and if a Board is scheduled to vote on an equity policy, it is important for those who have a faith-based position to outnumber the homosexual activists.

If we fail to become involved in the new chapter of homosexual activism and propaganda foisted on our innocent children, then there can be little hope for our future as a nation.

## WHAT? NOT AGAIN! UN CORRUPTION



It seems that no program organized by the UN escapes corruption. There are just too many hands sneaking into the till.

Stephen Lewis, former spokesperson for UN AIDS, appointed by former Secretary General Kofi Annan, ranted on interminably during his term of office about the noble work of the UN Global Fund to Fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria (the emphasis being on AIDS). According to Mr. Lewis, the Fund was the answer to stopping the spread of AIDS because it distributed loads of condoms to all and sundry. But....AIDS just kept on increasing.

The Global Fund, however, is now under investigation following reports of significant corruption. Internal

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investigations found the fund has lost \$34 million, with only \$19 million recovered. Fund officials defended their organization, saying they are doing more to address the issue of corruption than any similar development organization: not much comfort.

Canadian taxpayers have paid a total of \$1.5 billion into the Fund since 2001; in 2010 alone, Canadians paid \$540 million into the Fund.

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« This cartoon appeared in Ontario's York Region newspaper, The Liberal on April 2, 2011.

## Election Pamphlet

An Election Pamphlet is included in this issue of REALity. Because the Pamphlet is non-partisan in content, it can be freely copied and distributed by organizations or churches without risk to their charitable tax exempt status.

Please feel free to copy and distribute this Election Pamphlet as widely as possible to inform the public on the differing policies of the three major political parties.

Due to lack of space, unfortunately, we were not able to include the policies of the remaining political parties.



# THE U.N. GROWS MORE TREACHEROUS



The UN is growing ever more worrisome and treacherous. Time and time again, the UN has been exposed as a money guzzling, inept institution that fails abjectedly in many, if not most, of its undertakings.

For example, UN peace-keeping operations are plagued by numerous cases of abuse and sexual exploitation (e.g., the Congo). UN internal auditors learned that 43% of a \$1.4 billion in UN procurement involved fraud. Schemes, like “oil for food” in Iraq, were found to be riddled with fraud and corruption. The UN Climate Agency, called the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), has been found to be promoting false information in order to promote itself and its agenda. The list of problems with the UN is endless.

## THE UN IS A TOOL TO CHANGE THE WORLD

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## THE NEW WORLD ORDER

The impetus behind this UN drive to restructure societies around the world, is its obsession with one idea: overpopulation. The UN ignores the fact that the West is falling into a demographic winter with its rapidly declining population. What really matters to the UN is the vast number of children now being born in the developing countries, and it is this that the UN aims to stop.

The tools the UN uses to accomplish this objective include both abortion, which is a “never fail” killer of populations, and the promotion of homosexuality because its flourishing, due to its very nature, ensures limits on growth. Both of these issues are enthusiastically supported by radical feminists, whose presence at the UN, by way of NGO's and their infiltration in the UN bureaucracy, grows more prevalent every day.

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### Abortion

Starting with the 1994 UN Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, the UN has attempted to include abortion, referred to in UN code as “reproductive rights”, in

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UN documents and policies.

Time and time again pro-life NGO's (including REALWomen's representatives) at the UN have fought against abortion being supported at the UN. To date, we have been largely successful.... The effort is ongoing and relentless ... and tomorrow?

### Homosexuality

Homosexual rights are another concept which the UN is relentlessly pursuing. Homosexual NGO's are now being welcomed at the UN, whereas, several years ago, they were refused admission.

The acceptability of homosexuality at the UN was evident in December, 2010 when the UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-Moon, spoke at the 62nd anniversary of the UN's adoption of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights. Organized at the UN headquarters by homosexual activists, it saw Ban Ki-Moon wanting to “read in” the homosexual agenda into the Declaration on Human Rights. While the latter document provides protection for homosexuals, like everybody else, it does not provide any particular recognition of the homosexual agenda. The Islamic countries rejected this deliberate misinterpretation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in support of sexual orientation. This latter is a concept that has never heretofore been approved by the general membership of the UN.

At this meeting, Ban Ki-Moon was also in support of the proposal by the US to insert protection on the grounds of “sexual orientation” into a resolution then before the UN General Assembly, even though the expression “sexual orientation” had been previously deleted by a UN committee from this resolution. After heavy lobbying by the US and homosexual activists, the General Assembly subsequently voted 93 in favour of the US proposal (Canada, of course, supported the motion) to restore the previous language on sexual orientation. 55 countries voted against it and 27 countries abstained.

Although General Assembly resolutions are not legally binding, they are useful to indicate the views of the majority of the world's nations and they set a precedent for including certain terms in other UN negotiations, which, in turn, advances certain agendas, such as the homosexual agenda. As a result, homosexual activists have made great progress in pushing the homosexual agenda forward at the UN.

## WOMEN'S AGENCY PUSHES POPULATION AGENDA

The establishment of a new women's agency at the UN last year will also actively push abortion and homosexuality.

Previously, there were four, separate UN agencies dealing with advancing women's rights. In July 2010, however, these four agencies were joined in a new women's entity for General Equality and Empowerment, which is known at the UN as "UN Women". This agency is not concerned with the empowerment of women, but rather with the empowerment of the feminist movement worldwide. This agency will promote and implement policy according to its own ideals, not according to agreements made by member states. Since abortion and homosexual rights are an integral part of feminist ideology, this agency will vigorously promote these two

controversial issues at the UN.

The head of this women's agency is a pro-abortion feminist and socialist, the former president of Chile, Michelle Bachelet, who will serve as an Under-Secretary General, which means she will report directly to the Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon. The initial budget of \$500 million for this entity is double the combined budget of the four previous UN women's agencies. In addition, the Secretary General has said that an estimated \$26-42 billion will be required annually during 2011-2015 to meet global targets on women's and children's health.

We will hear often from the UN women's agency in the coming years. It will not be good news, since it will form a strong part of the UN's policies on population control ‡

## DO CHILDREN BELONG TO THE STATE OR THEIR PARENTS



The long simmering dispute in Canada between parents and the government over what children are taught in the schools may, at last, finally be settled by the Supreme Court of Canada.

British Columbia has long been a centre for disagreement between parents and the government on this issue. An example is, the agreement made by the former Attorney General Wally Oppal in 2007 with a homosexual "married" couple, the "Correns", in which homosexuality was to be incorporated in every course taught children from kindergarten to Grade 12.

Surprisingly, however, it is in the province of Quebec that the disagreement between parents and the government has finally given rise to the Supreme Court of Canada agreeing to address the conflict. The decision by the Supreme Court in this Quebec case will definitively settle the matter for all parents across the country.

### BACKGROUND TO THE QUEBEC CASE

The issue that the Supreme Court of Canada will be dealing with is whether parents in Quebec have the right to object to a Quebec school curriculum which is contrary to their religious beliefs and moral values.

This case arose when the Quebec government introduced a mandatory ethics and culture curriculum, intended to replace previous courses available in Catholic or Protestant schools. Previously, more than 70 per cent of Quebec families had been choosing courses

with such religious content. Criticism of the substituted course put forward by the Quebec Department of Education includes that it lacks doctrinal content, places an emphasis on moral relativism and proposes an over-broad definition of religion. Further, despite over 2,000 requests by individual families across the province to exempt their children, these requests have been refused, despite the fact that there is an existing provision that permits parents to exempt their children from this ethics course. No school board has allowed a single request for exemption, largely owing to pressure from the Quebec Ministry of Education.

This is such a significant case that a considerable number of organizations have applied to intervene before the court. Some of these, to date, include the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada, the Catholic Civil Rights League, the Faith and Freedom Alliance (an organization of faith based lawyers of which REAL Woman is a part), the Coptic Orthodox Church of Montreal, and the Quebec Association of Catholic Parents.

This case will have a profound effect on the future of parental rights and the interplay of public education and conservative and religious rights in every province in Canada.

REAL Women strongly believes that parents are the first educators of their children and that parents have the right to choose their children's religious and moral education. Such a position is also in compliance with article 26.3 of the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which requires that "parents have a prior right to choose the kind of education that shall be given to their children". Let us hope that the Supreme Court of Canada agrees with this crucial principle. ‡

## TRANSGENDERED BILL BEFORE THE SENATE



Human rights in Canada are becoming ever more bizarre.

On February 9, 2011, the private member's transgendered bill by homosexual NDP MP Bill Siksay passed the House of Commons 143-135. The vote was mainly along party lines with the Conservatives, including Prime Minister Stephen Harper, voting against it, and the opposition parties in favour of it. There were exceptions.

Six conservatives voted for the bill and this included four cabinet ministers: John Baird (Ottawa West-Nepean), Government House Leader, Lawrence Cannon (Pontiac), Minister of Foreign Affairs, James Moore (Port Moody-Westwood-Port Coquitlam), Heritage Minister, and Lisa Raitt, (Halton), Minister of Labour. Two other conservatives, Shelly Glover (St. Boniface) and Gerald Keddy (South Shore-St. Margaret's), also supported the bill.

Six Liberals opposed the bill. They were: John Cannis



(Scarborough Centre), Jim Karygiannis (Scarborough-Agincourt), John McKay (Scarborough-Guildwood), Dan McTeague (Pickering-Scarborough East), Alan Tonks (York South-Weston) and Byron Wilfert (Richmond Hill).

### ABSURDITY OF BILL C-389

This bill proposes that the vague and undefined words “gender expression” and “gender identity” be added to the list of prohibited grounds of discrimination in the federal *Human Rights Act* and the hate crimes section of the *Criminal Code*.

The absurdity of this bill lies in the fact that it abandons the objective criteria of prohibited grounds, ie. colour, creed, sex, etc., listed in the Act and adds two subjective criteria, ie. what that person feels about him/herself and his gender. To say the least, these criteria will be hard to prove or disprove — it’s whatever that person says it is. Further, the standard diagnostic manual for psychiatrists, “Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders” 4<sup>th</sup> edition, lists gender identity confusion as a mental disorder. So, instead of helping someone with this disorder, we are pushing him/her further into illness. Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, which pioneered surgery and hormone treatment for identity confusion, now refuses to do so, as the doctors regard it as contributing to a mental illness.

### EFFECT OF LEGISLATION

1. Although advocates of this bill claim they are only trying to protect transsexuals from discrimination, they, in fact, are achieving much more — namely, the restructuring of the moral fabric of society. No longer will society be based on the two sexes, male and female, but, rather, will be based on a wide variety of whatever individuals “think” they are, ie. no moral borders on sexual identity and no rules for sexual self-expression. In short, what’s acceptable will be based on arbitrary acts of human self-interpretation by those who are not mentally healthy.

2. Transgenderism will be taught to children in schools

as equal to heterosexualism. This is already being attempted in Ontario—but was thrown out because of parents’ objections. Making this illness a legal right will no longer allow parents to raise objections to it being taught to their children.

The American College of Pediatricians distributed a warning letter, on March 31, 2010, stating that it is extremely dangerous for children to be taught that being transgendered is equal to being heterosexual. To do so might set up some children for a lifetime of pain and suffering.

3. Transgendered men will have access to women’s public bathrooms, showers, ie, in swimming pools, etc. as a “right”.

4. Provinces will be required to include surgery and hormonal treatment under their health insurance plans. It costs \$50,000 for a female to male operation. Physicians will be required, by law, to provide such surgery and hormone treatments to individuals. Ironically, artificial vaginas and penises do not function, but are merely cosmetic changes made to enhance the transgendered individual’s “feeling” that he/she is a different sex from the one he/she had at birth.

### BILL NOW IN THE SENATE

The transgendered bill had first reading in the Senate on February 10<sup>th</sup> and is now at second reading stage, placed on the order paper as a courtesy by Senator Gerald Comeau (Nova Scotia), Senate Government Leader.

Mail may be sent **postage-free** to any Senator at the following address:

**The Senate of Canada  
Ottawa, Ontario Canada K1A 0A4**

If you do not have access to the Internet, the Senators’ names can be obtained from our national office at (613) 236-4001 (telephone) or 613-236-7203 (fax).

For those with Internet access, the link to individual senators’ web sites is: <http://sen.parl.gc.ca/senators-sites-e.htm> ¶

## WHAT IS HAPPENING TO MEN



A cultural revolution is taking place right under our noses—a revolution that has vast consequences and delights feminist matriarchs.

The revolution is that many of our nation’s young men seem to be retreating from their traditional role as leaders and protectors and providers for their families. Too many young men seem more and more content to allow women to take a dominant role in society. This situation was exacerbated by the 2008 recession, which struck male-dominated industries, such as manufacturing and construction, the hardest. Men accounted for an estimated 71% of the 400,000 jobs lost in Canada during the 2008 downturn.

As a result, in 2009, Statistics Canada reports that 18% of Canadian women are now the primary breadwinners in their family, up from 14% in 1997. In this same period, the proportion of women matching or exceeding their husband’s earnings, climbed to 42% from 37%.

This has resulted in the number of stay-at-home fathers in Canada jumping from 20,000 or 1% of all stay-at-home parents in 1976, to nearly 60,000 or 12% in 2009. The number of stay-at-home mothers in 2009 was 440,000, down from almost 2 million in 1976.

However, a new study carried out at Ohio State University suggests that splitting parental duties with the husband at home may not guarantee domestic harmony. The study published in the journal “Developmental Psychology” in January 2011, states that when both parents are caregivers, more conflict arises and parents are more likely to undermine each other than in households where the mother is in charge.

The rapid rise in Canadian female participation rates in the job market first came about through women’s advancement in education. Women now comprise 60% of university graduates. Also, because of occupational shifts in business, with new clusters in the knowledge-based and service oriented sectors where women excel, women, not men, are now in demand for filling skills shortages.

## THE MALE DOWNWARD TREND STARTS EARLY

The downward trajectory of young men starts early in their lives. Children who drop out start falling behind by grade 3. On average, Canadian boys earn lower marks, study less, and are more likely to repeat a grade than girls. They drop out at almost twice the rate of young females and are far less likely to graduate from university. Although men still dominate in engineering and computer science, they are now outnumbered in almost all other professional programs, including law and medicine.

Young men, too, seem to be maturing much more slowly than in the past. Young males remaining in the parental home, markedly increased between 1981 and 2006, according to Stats Canada. For example, in 1981, of men between 20 and 24 years of age, 51% remained at home. But, in 2006, 65.2% still remained at home. Young men between the ages of 25–29 years remaining at home increased from 15% in 1981 to 31% in 2006. Young males are also more reluctant to assume the responsibilities of marriage, preferring instead the easy opt-out advantages of common law unions, which have risen from 6% in 1991 to 15.5% in the 2006 census.

## IDENTITY CRISIS

This cultural change sweeping Canada and the US has led, to some degree, to an identity crisis for many men, whose understanding of themselves is often wrapped up closely in their jobs and their support of their families. The leftist CBC fed into this identity crisis with its documentary, unhelpfully and ominously called, “The End of Men”, aired on February 3, 2011. In this documentary, male professors (whom Arnold Schwarzenegger would undoubtedly describe as “girly men”) pontificated that these changes in men’s lives were positive, as they permit them to now discover their “inner feminine nurturing side”

It’s true that, in many cases, men are still near the top of the jobs pyramid, but men’s hold on power in these elite circles is definitely loosening. That’s why the private members Bill S-206, introduced by Senator L’Hervieux Payette last June is a ludicrous piece of legislation in that it demands female quotas of 50% of all board members in Canadian companies, including insurance, banks, Crown agencies, etc. REAL Women has presented a brief to the Senate Committee rejecting this tyrannical proposal.

Indira Samarasekera, President of the University of Alberta, has aptly stated that the larger concern should not be an increase in female CEO’s, but rather the demographic time bomb caused

by the failure of males to obtain post-secondary education. She states that this will result in our waking up in 20 years from now with society lacking “the benefit of enough male talent at the head of corporations and elsewhere”.

## WHAT CAN BE DONE?

First and foremost, Canada must dedicate as much energy, resources, and time to provide opportunities and encouragement to young men as was previously devoted to young women. That is, the indifference, even neglect, of young men that has occurred over the past few generations must be stopped. *Affirmative action policies for males are now required.* More than ever, university, the gateway to economic success and a necessary condition for many to enter into the middle class, must be regarded as a major goal for young men. Universities should not be dominated by women, but rather, both genders should be attending in equal numbers in this technological age.

## THE FUTURE

It is true that no one can predict the future with certainty. There are at least two factors, however, that may change the present unsatisfactory situation with regard to the future of men in this country:

- Canada’s rapidly declining population means that by 2030, there will be a dearth of available employees to fill job shortages. Men will, therefore, be provided with more opportunities to fill this gap; and
- what has not changed over the years, is that it is women who give birth to children. Some women are able to put their jobs first and foremost in their lives. However, most don’t: they regard their children as the very centre of their being. To nurture and care for children is a powerful instinct in most women. This means that the market place must adapt to provide all employees with flexible time schedules so as to allow them to balance their employment and family responsibilities. That is, the hours worked and the work environment must change to accommodate both men and women so that the family can thrive. Without the family, society will collapse. Men are a crucial and integral part of the family, but not just as nurturers as feminists want. Men are also the protectors and providers for their families, as they have always been throughout history. These are crucial roles that should be supported by government policy. ‡

# A BOOK WORTH READING

Michael Wagner, PhD, the author of an excellent book Standing on Guard for Thee has now published another book called Michael is “Right” - A Christian Responds to Canada’s Liberal-Left. It consists primarily of articles that he has written over the past few years emphasizing social conservative arguments and positions opposing the liberal left.

If you want to know how to respond to the current politically correct nonsense thrown at us by the influential left, Michael’s book provides a sensible and logical response. The chapters include succinct and lucid arguments on human rights commissions, the sexual revolution and pornography,

government interference with parenting, attacks on social conservatives and Christianity, the latter included in books by such Canadian writers as Margaret Atwood and Marci McDonald, and much more.

The book is available from Amazon.com. The specific URL for it is: [http://www.amazon.com/Michael-Right-Christian-Responds-Liberal-Left/dp/1453727191/ref=sr\\_1\\_4?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1291173148&sr=1-4](http://www.amazon.com/Michael-Right-Christian-Responds-Liberal-Left/dp/1453727191/ref=sr_1_4?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1291173148&sr=1-4)

If you don’t have access to a computer, copies of the book can be obtained from REAL Women’s national office at a cost of \$15.00 plus postage. ‡

# THE LEFT-WING CBC NEVER CHANGES



The CBC, which receives over a billion dollars a year in funding from the Federal Government, apparently could not care less about the views of Canadians. CBC just keeps pumping out left-wing propaganda.

theories on patriarchy. She suggested that feminist courses be called Paranoia 101.

Never once did the documentary deal with the real reason that feminism has failed—because the majority of women do not support its extremist ideology.

## TV DOCUMENTARY ON FEMINISM

The latest offence to our common sense was a documentary on feminism, aired on March 3, 2011 as part of the Doc Zone series. The documentary was called “The ‘F’ Word: Is feminism still relevant?” Feminist spokespersons expounded on their angst over their inability to “change the world,” on the fact that young women still refuse to call themselves feminists because of its negative associations, and on the cut backs to and the lack of interest by students in women’s studies, etc.

Feminist Naomi Wolf stated this was all caused by the failure of women to grasp the levers of power—money, the electoral process and the media. She suggested that if women could only “get their hands” on these, feminism will prevail. The documentary, of course, also promoted the latest feminist pitch: “quotas” to increase the number of women elected to office.

A token appearance was allotted to Christina Hoff Sommers, who was labeled an anti-feminist for pointing out that women’s studies are “too far gone”, and rife with conspiracy

## RADIO CBC “THE CURRENT”

In a token attempt to provide “balance” REAL Women was contacted by the producers of the radio program “The Current” to participate in its International Women’s Day program called “Women in the Workforce”. We were asked to provide a conservative voice provided, however, that that person was a member of a visible minority. Were the leftist panelists visible minorities, we asked? No, but it appeared no one else would do to represent us on radio when that person would not even be visible!

It is not difficult to conclude that the reason for requesting a person of a visible minority was not to have a conservative voice heard at all, but rather to have someone speak about being a visible minority in the workforce. Some “conservative” balance that was!

The feminist movement is in disarray, yet the CBC continues to promote an agenda that only a small group of ideologues support. The CBC allows professional feminists to drone on and on... ♯

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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Annual General Meeting of the Members of REAL Women of Canada (hereinafter called the “Corporation”) will be held on Monday, June 13, 2011 at the Cartier Place Suite Hotel, 180 Cooper Street, Ottawa, Ontario at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To receive the financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010, together with the reports of the directors and auditors thereon;

2. To elect a Board of Directors;

a) Advance nominations shall be in writing and shall be submitted by not less than two members in good standing with the written consent of the nominee, and received by the **Nominations Committee** at least two weeks prior to the annual meeting (May 30, 2011). No nomination will be accepted after that date. A brief resume of the candidate’s biography must be submitted with the nomination. Nominators must vouch that the candidate is a member in good standing, and upholds the philosophy, aims and objectives of REAL Women of Canada. Please send nominations to **Nominations Chairperson, PO Box 21033, RPO Grosvenor Park, Saskatoon SK S7H 5N9 or fax 306-253-4365 or email to [realwcna@on.aibn.com](mailto:realwcna@on.aibn.com)**.

b) Only those who subscribe to our objectives and have been voting members of the Corporation for at least 60 days prior

to this meeting shall have the right to vote and run for office.

c) New members and renewals will be accepted on the date of the meeting, but new members must attend as observers not as voting members. Members whose memberships have lapsed may renew and will be allowed to vote.

The General Meeting is open to members, representatives from member organizations and to co-operating organizations.

3. To hear and vote on resolutions from voting members:

a) **Resolutions** must be submitted in writing 14 days prior to the Annual Meeting (May 30, 2011) and approved by the Resolutions Committee. Please send resolutions to: **REAL Women of Canada Resolutions Committee, Box 8813 Station T, Ottawa ON K1G 3J1 or fax 613-236-7203 or email to [realwcna@on.aibn.com](mailto:realwcna@on.aibn.com)**.

4. To transact such further or other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

*Cecilia Forsyth*

Cecilia Forsyth  
National President

DATED at Aberdeen SK, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011. ♯



# NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING



A Special Meeting to amend the by-laws of REAL Women of Canada is to be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 13, 2011 at the Cartier Place Suite Hotel, 180 Cooper Street, Ottawa Ontario. This special meeting will immediately precede the annual General Meeting which is to be held at the same date and time.

The initials were used to represent the words **R**ealistic, **E**qual, **A**ctive, for **L**ife.

For a number of reasons, not the least of which was for simplicity, over the years our organization dropped the space and periods between the letters in the name, so that our organization has now become known as REAL Women of Canada.

This change in the usage of our name, however, has created difficulties whenever a corporate search is being conducted of our corporation since it is still registered with Industry Canada under the name R. E. A. L. Women of Canada.

Accordingly, we would like to formally change our Letters Patent from R.E.A.L. Women of Canada to read REAL Women of Canada. ♪

*Cecilia Forsyth*

Cecilia Forsyth, National President

DATED at Aberdeen SK, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

## REASON FOR THE AMENDMENT

When REAL Women was incorporated in September 1983, it was incorporated under the name R.E.A.L. WOMEN OF CANADA.

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

There will be no national conference this year due to our heavy work load and other practical considerations of the organization. The Annual General Meeting will still be held as is required by the Corporations Act. It will be held Monday, June 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cartier Place Suite Hotel, 180 Cooper Street in Ottawa. All members are invited to attend especially those in the Ottawa area. ♪

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