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There can no longer be any doubt that the inmates are running the UN Asylum. The UN has degenerated into a pathetic shadow of what it was intended to be when it was established in 1945. Instead of serving as an institution to protect human rights and the dignity of mankind, it has become an institution of abuse, where corruption is pervasive, where ideology rather than facts are promoted, and where very little has been achieved re providing peace and goodwill around the world.

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This attack was made by an 18-member panel of so-called independent “experts”, answerable to no one, on a committee which never misses an opportunity to criticize governments for their failure to implement sexual policies, which are not even mentioned in the UN’s treaties. This is the first time, however, that such a committee has had the audacity to attack a religious faith. Which faith will next be under attack? Perhaps Islam, which also opposes homosexuality, contraception and abortion?

These UN monitoring committees are a fraud. The committee members are chosen from signatory nations, many of which are regularly cited as among the worst in the world in regard to human rights abuses and child-trafficking. Many of the so-called experts are representatives of international feminist groups, who use the UN committee system to promote their own ideology. For example, the most prominent, influential, and

famous on the UN committee to attack the Catholic Church was a Peruvian, Susana Villarán. As a mayor of Lima, she was in constant conflict with the Catholic Church and was known for her unbridled activism in promoting homosexual rights and abortion. She obviously took this opportunity to continue her fight with the Catholic Church.

UN monitoring committees have been taken over in order to change universally accepted traditional values. This was initiated at Deep Cove, New York, in December, 1996 when UN agencies, such as UNFPA (UN Fund for Population Activities), the WHO (World Health Organization), UNICEF (Children’s Emergency Fund), and OHCHR (The United Nations Office of The High Commissioner for Human Rights), as well as some feminist NGO’s held a private meeting, during which they decided that treaty monitoring committees would be used to promote the feminist agenda, regardless of the actual wording and intent of the treaties. The agreement was spelled out in a document called “Round Table on Human Rights Treaty Bodies”. Since that time, UN monitoring committees have been criticizing governments for their failures to implement policies that are not even mentioned in UN treaties. It was under this fraudulent committee procedure that the attack on the Catholic Church took place.

This incident occurred after a daylong interrogation of UN Vatican representatives during the committee’s supposed discussion of the problem of sex abuse in the Church. The

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committee used this occasion to demand that the Church change its beliefs! Incredible.

The committee completely ignored the fact that there have been vast improvements in both the reporting and processing of sex abuse in the Church. The protocols established are now stricter than found in schools, youth groups, and sports associations. These protocols serve as models for other jurisdictions dealing with the problem of youths at risk.

The committee wildly overstepped its mandate by

commenting on matters far beyond both its competence and jurisdiction.

Fortunately, the recommendations of these committees are non-binding and not enforceable. These committees should either be reformed or eliminated. They do not advance the needs and dignity of mankind, the protection of children, or human rights, but only the agendas of anti-life/anti-family, progressive extremists, who use the committees as a tool to promote their goals worldwide. †

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Throughout its passage through Parliament, the Transgender Bill C-279 has left a sordid trail of lies, deceptions, manipulation and a curious ignoring of democratic procedures. In REAL Women's over 30 years' experience dealing with legislation before Parliament, we have never witnessed such appalling behaviour displayed by the originator of Bill C-279, homosexual NDP MP Randall Garrison (Esquimalt – Juan de Fuca) and Senator Grant Mitchell (Edmonton), the member of the Senate who introduced the bill in that Chamber. Senator Mitchell is supposedly a member of the Liberal Caucus with which he personally identified himself and which identity was accepted by Senate Speaker, Noel Kinsella. Then again, Senator Mitchell may not be a "Liberal" Senator after all, according to Justin Trudeau.

In arguing on behalf of the transgender bill, these politicians made shocking statements, such as pretending that transgender persons have been given protection by the United Nations and under international law. This was a preposterous statement, and completely false.

These two politicians also stated, flat out, that there have been no problems with gender-identity legislation in other jurisdictions. This, too, was a preposterous statement and absolutely false, contradicted by the following examples:

1. In November, 2012, a 45 year old transgendered student at Evergreen College in Washington State used the women's locker room, provided for a high school swim team and a children's' swim academy, and there displayed his male genitals to the children (aged 6 to 18 years). He was also observed by young girls as he sat with his legs open, displaying male genitalia, in the sauna. The college stated that it could do nothing about the situation since it was obliged to follow state law protecting the transgendered. That is, a person who is biologically a man was allowed, under the anti-discrimination law, to undress

and expose himself to young girls, placing them at risk of emotional distress and harm.

2. In 2012, the Ontario legislature added the protection of "gender identity" and "gender expression" to the Human Rights Code. This amendment created problems for transgendered males because lesbians refuse to interact with them, including refusing to have sex with them on the basis that transgendered males are female impersonators. As a result, lesbians have excluded transgendered males from their "space", e.g., bars, spas, festivals, bookstores and meetings. Toronto MPP, Cheri DiNovo, the NDP MPP, who sponsored the transgendered bill in the legislature, has now laid a complaint with the Ontario Human Rights Commission, arguing that any assembly of females only, for whatever purpose, is prohibited under the transgendered legislation. This applies to an assembly of males as well. The Ontario Human Rights Commission has responded that it has not yet defined its policy on gender identity, and therefore, could not, as yet, rule on the issue.

3. In 2013, California passed the law, AB1266, which required all public schools to allow students who call themselves transgendered, to choose the bathrooms and locker rooms of their choice. The law also provided that all information on the students' "gender" could not be disclosed to the parents. This legislation has resulted in adolescent boys and girls showering together in locker rooms, and sleeping in the same hotel rooms on overnight field trips. Concerned parents formed a coalition, which has set in motion a referendum on the law, AB1266. The vote is to take place in November, 2014.

4. A naked male, who had not had any physical treatment, walked into the locker room of a Toronto YWCA and watched a woman struggling to get out of her wet bathing suit. During his observation, the male had an erection. The complainant was advised that a "transgendered woman", regardless of her physical status, has the right to use a women's change room". One may be concerned: perhaps the male was not truly transgendered, but was a poseur, who was given free access to women's change rooms.

Transgendered advocacy groups have attempted to argue that the above situation was a hoax, devised to undermine transgender legislation. However, both the Public Editor of the Toronto Star, Kathy English (who guarantees accuracy), and the Star's ethics columnist, Ken Gallinger, who wrote the initial story, have concluded, after investigation, that this story is a genuine account of what occurred. (see Toronto Star, January 18, 2014)

In January, 2014, however, the Ontario Human Rights Commissioner, Barbara Hall, in reference to this case, criticized the complainant and those who call for segregation of transgendered people into separate bathrooms and changing spaces, stating that this was contrary to the Ontario Human Rights Code.

5. Because the reproductive system of a transgendered person remains unaltered, despite hormone treatment and external surgery, a transgendered man in Toronto, who used to be a woman, decided to bear a child. He was refused the services of a fertility clinic in Toronto, and subsequently sought such services from a fertility clinic in Massachusetts, where he was attending university. The clinic there also refused to provide him with such services. The transgendered man laid a complaint with the Massachusetts Commission of Discrimination, which issued a finding of probable cause of discrimination, based on the Massachusetts legislation protecting transgendered persons.

The problems outlined above, due to transgendered legislation in other jurisdictions, are only the tip of the iceberg which lies ahead should Bill C-279 be passed into law.

Many medical authorities believe that hormone treatment and the amputation of healthy body parts may not be appropriate treatment because such medical intervention creates greater harm to the individual. Such harm includes a substantially higher rate of morbidity and mortality in post-operative transsexuals than in the general population, as well as mental illness.

These concerns were confirmed by the long-term study, published in 2011 by the Karolinska Institute in Sweden, which

found substantially higher rates of morbidity and mortality in post-operative transsexuals than in the general population.

It seems that the appropriate approach to the dissatisfaction (dysphoria) of these individuals is compassionate counselling.

Finally, the American College of Pediatricians, on March 31, 2010, distributed a letter to all U.S. schools, citing research studies that indicate that "when a child desires to be the opposite sex, he/she will typically lose this desire by puberty if the behavior is not reinforced...when parents or others allow or encourage a child to behave and be treated as the opposite sex, the confusion is reinforced and the child is conditioned for a life of unnecessary pain and suffering".

PARLIAMENT PROROGUED BEFORE SENATE VOTE

Parliament was prorogued in June, 2013 before Bill C-279 could come to a final vote in the Senate. This meant that, under Parliamentary procedures, this controversial bill has to be returned to first reading in the Senate, second reading, referred to the Human Rights Committee for review, and then returned to the floor of the Senate for a final vote - as if the Senate doesn't have a few other pressing problems with which to deal!

This situation, however, does give a breather to try to stop this bill.

Bill C-279 must be defeated. Bill C-279 is not a priority for Canadians, but is catering to a small minority of activists (at best 2%) to the disadvantage of 98% of the population.

Conservative Senator Don Plett and Senator Claude Carignan (Mille Isles), Senate Government Leader, have the responsibility to deal with this bill in the Senate.

Please write to:

Senator Don Plett

The Senate of Canada
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A4

Senator Claude Carignan

Senate Government Leader
The Senate of Canada
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A4 †

FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER BAIRD REJECTS NIGERIA'S HOMOSEXUAL LAWS

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There are any number of worrisome events taking place around the world. Upheavals in the Ukraine, Egypt, Turkey and Syria, Iran with its nuclear power, women in the Middle East and southern Asia being gravely mistreated, the one child

policy in China causing the horrors of forced abortion. The list of troubles abroad is endless.

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In 2013, he blasted Russia for its law that protected minor children from drugs, alcohol and propaganda on unacceptable lifestyles (homosexuality). Mr. Baird raged against Uganda for jailing homosexuals. 2014 has barely begun, and Mr. Baird is now on the trail of Nigeria for its recent law to jail

homosexuals and the banning of same-sex marriage. To show his displeasure he cancelled the scheduled visit to Ottawa by the President of Nigeria, Goodluck Jonathan.

The Nigerians were furious at this treatment of their President. The Nigerian media was filled with angry comments about this interference by Canada. Hundreds of commentators condemned Canada for trying to impose its western values on their nation. The Nigerians have two major faiths, Christian (Evangelical and Catholic) and Muslim. None of these faiths accepts homosexuality.

To anger Nigeria is not a good thing. For the past two years, the federal government has been eagerly wooing Nigeria, with the fastest-growing economy in Africa, mainly due to the abundance of oil. Nigeria is also Canada's biggest trading partner in Africa.

Because of the sensitivity of the situation, the Department of Foreign Affairs did not provide any comment for its cancellation of President Jonathan's visit, apparently so as not to further antagonize the oil rich country and derail Canada's commercial ties to it. Mr. Baird also likely didn't comment on the cancellation because of concerns about antagonizing conservative voters who do not like his pushing a homosexual agenda on another country which has a different socio-cultural, racial and religious background.

Mr. Baird is also dancing on coals in regard to the decision of the Supreme Court in India which recriminalized homosexuality. The Foreign Affairs Department has said that it had a "respectful dialogue" with the Indian government over the issue claiming it was promoting "Canadian values" in doing so. Since 2012, Canada and India have been negotiating a free-trade agreement and the Canada-India Nuclear Cooperation Agreement which gives Canada's nuclear industry access to India's nuclear markets.

It seems Mr. Baird's obsession with the homosexual issue

is not being helpful to Canada's international efforts.

Mr. Baird, however, apparently believes that he is entitled to tell other countries what to do regardless of their racial, cultural or faith convictions.

Although REAL Women does not believe homosexuals should be jailed for their orientation, we do object to Mr. Baird's selective concern about this issue despite the fact nations are independent, and have a differing approach to impact issues. By his actions, Mr. Baird is detrimentally affecting Canada internationally and is imposing a perspective not necessarily shared by all Canadians. The promotion of homosexuality cannot accurately be described as a "Canadian value" since Canadians are split on the issue unlike that of religious persecution —where Canadians are united in their opposition.

Please write to Prime Minister Harper, Minister of Foreign Affairs, John Baird, and your MP and object to Mr. Baird's promoting of values that divide Canadians. Their addresses are as follows:

The Rt. Honourable Prime Minister Stephen Harper

Office of the Prime Minister
80 Wellington Street
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A2

The Honourable John Baird

Minister of Foreign Affairs
Foreign Affairs
125 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, ON K1A 0G2

Your MP (name)

House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6 †

FEMINISTS FUNDED BY SUGAR DADDIES

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Feminists don't think much of the male gender. They keep a wary eye on men, convinced that they will undermine women at their first opportunity.

Because they distrust men so intensely, feminist organizations do not want to be financially dependent on males – too risky and demeaning.

On the other hand, it apparently never occurs to feminist organizations, which are supposedly comprised of strong and intelligent women, to financially support their own activities just as REAL Women of Canada has

done for over 30 years.

The truth is that feminists do not have many followers and, as a result, must rely on others to fund them. Consequently, feminist organizations have looked around for sugar daddies so that they can be cared for. The sugar daddy they found most accommodating and generous was the federal government's Status of Women agency. Between 1972 and 2006, the agency showered millions of dollars on feminist organizations — money for which they were never held accountable. In an independent review in 2005 of the Status of Women funding, it was disclosed that there was not only no accountability, but also that there was no attempt to even determine whether the generous funding over the years from the Status of Women had, in fact, made any impact. The recipients of these grants were never required to justify their spending. Instead, the money was just handed

out, willy nilly, no questions asked. This behaviour is typical of the wishes of dependent women who do not want to be held responsible for their expenses paid by others.

The handful of women who operate these feminist groups interchange their leadership with each other and, as professional feminists, spend their entire working lives living off government handouts, on comfortable salaries, promoting their own ideology.

There are numerous examples of these professional feminists, but to name two prominent ones:

SHELAGH DAY

A prime example of a professional feminist is Shelagh Day, who has spent her entire working life living off the taxpayer. She and her lesbian partner, Gwen Brodsky, started out their activism in 1985 as founders of LEAF (Legal Education and Action Fund), the legal arm of the feminist movement. From this vantage point, they drafted the legal definition of “equality” which was promoted by the National Judicial Institute, which provides educational programmes for judges. The feminist ideological definition was subsequently adopted by the courts. Shelagh Day then moved over to the now defunct NAC (National Action Committee on the Status of Women) as its Vice-President. In that capacity, she attended, at taxpayers’ expense, the Charlottetown Constitutional Conference in 1992 to supposedly represent the perspective of the “women” of Canada. Next, she chaired the Equality Panel of the Court Challenges Program, which handed out funds to feminist and homosexual groups only, in order for them to launch legal challenges to further their agendas. As chairperson of this Program, Ms. Day arranged for her lesbian partner, Gwen Brodsky, to conduct research projects for the new Program: nothing like a little nepotism paid for by the taxpayer! Ms. Day also attended the UN Conference on Women held in Beijing in 1995, as a member of the Canadian delegation representing the homosexual organization EGALÉ (Equality for Gays and Lesbians Everywhere). In 2002, Ms. Day headed a newly formed feminist group, FAFIA (Canadian Feminist Alliance for International Action). FAFIA, which received \$1.2M from the Status of Women between 2002 and 2009, was established to replace NAC (the National Action Committee on the Status of Women), which had disintegrated as the bottom fell out of the organization when the Status of Women ceased funding it, as well as because of internal, racial and personality conflicts. Ms. Day continues on her way today, as always, supported by the taxpayers, by yet another government agency, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), which is under the jurisdiction of Industry Canada. With this funding, she is supposedly working for poverty relief and feminism in Canada.

In 2013, Ms. Day received the Order of Canada for

her commitment to women’s rights. There is no prominent feminist activist left in Canada who has not yet received the Order of Canada. The Selection Committee for the Order of Canada is chaired by Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin.

NANCY PECKFORD

Another prominent feminist, Nancy Peckford, lives off the taxpayer and also circulates from one feminist group to another. She is currently the Executive Director of Equal Voice whose purpose is to encourage more women to enter politics and assume public office. Equal Voice regularly received a \$70,000 annual grant from the Status of Women, but in 2009, received an additional \$1.2M from that agency “to train young women to achieve political office”. Ms. Peckford was the former Director of Programs for FAFIA (Feminist Alliance for International Action); researcher for the NAWL (2001), (National Association of Women and the Law); Lobby Co-ordinator for the pro-gay, pro-abortion Women’s March (2000), Provincial Co-ordinator of the Ontario Women’s Network on Child Custody and Access (2002), and a program officer with the Canadian Labour Congress Women’s and Human Rights Department (2003). In 2007 – 2008, while executive director of FAFIA, she served as one of the three “experts” for the House of Commons Standing Committee on the Status of Women’s study on gender budgeting.

The above are just two examples of many professional feminists, who continue their advocacy on the taxpayers’ dollar for an outdated socialist ideology rejected by most Canadians.

CONSERVATIVE GOVERNMENT CHANGES GOVERNMENT FUNDING CRITERIA

In September, 2006, the Conservative government changed the criteria for funding feminist organizations by Status of Women from advocacy and research to the development of community projects. The feminists’ loud lamentations were noteworthy, as they shouted discrimination, and claimed that the government was denying “women” a voice in Canada. As if.

However, at the same time that these feminist organizations were raising their distraught voices against the Conservative government (despite the fact that the appropriation for the Status of Women has actually increased funding by 22% from 2006 to 2013), they were slyly receiving large sums of money for their “research” from the Canadian taxpayers, through yet another government source: namely, Industry Canada’s Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Program. Another sugar daddy to look after them, at the same time, was the enormously wealthy unions, whose wealth has been acquired by compulsory union dues. This union largesse to feminists has provided even more sugar into an already sweet pot. †

NOTICE OF ANNUAL AND SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual and Special Meeting of the Members of **REAL Women of Canada** (hereinafter called the "Corporation") will be held on Friday, May 9, 2014, at The Cartier Place Suite Hotel, Ottawa, Ontario. The Special Meeting portion of the meeting will be held at the hour of 7 o'clock p.m. and the Annual Meeting will follow immediately thereafter at the hour of 7:30 o'clock p.m. for the following purposes:

SPECIAL MEETING

The purpose of this Special Meeting is to obtain the approval of the membership of the new by-laws required under the *Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act* which was passed by the federal government on October 17, 2011.

This new Act requires that all charitable not-for-profit organizations such as REAL Women of Canada transfer their Corporation to the new Act called the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act*. If we fail to do so by October 17, 2014, then REAL Women of Canada will be dissolved.

These newly drafted by-laws have been approved by the Board of Directors of REAL Women of Canada held in Ottawa on May 30, 2013. These by-laws must also be approved by the general membership at a special meeting called for this purpose.

Accordingly, a Special Meeting has been called to take place immediately preceding our Annual Meeting to be held on May 9, 2014 to approve the by-laws.

If any member would like a copy of the proposed new by-laws, could you please notify our National Office at Box 8813, Station T, Ottawa, ON K1G 3J1; telephone number 613-236-4001; fax number 613-236-7203 and e-mail address: realwcna@rogers.com

Once the by-laws have been approved at this Special Meeting, they will be forwarded to Industry Canada together with the completed required forms, and the transfer of REAL Women of Canada to the new Act will be completed.

ANNUAL MEETING

Once the Special Meeting has been concluded, we shall then proceed with the Annual Meeting business:

1. To receive the financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2013, together with the reports of the directors and auditors thereon;

MESSAGE BOARD

The government wants public input on a new [prostitution law](#). Online consultation will be open from February 17th to March 17th.

Prostitution is violence against women and girls. It is dangerous whether legal or illegal. Government must send a clear message that prostitution degrades, dehumanizes, and distorts the value of people. It should be illegal. We do not support decriminalization or legalization. Laws must combat prostitution, sexual exploitation and human trafficking.

[Click here](#) to give your opinion or reply by email at Consultations.Prostitution@justice.gc.ca

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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 (April 21, 2014). According to our constitution, no nomination can be accepted after that date. A brief resume of the candidate's biography must be submitted along 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, as set out in the membership application form. Please forward nominations to:

Nominations Chairperson, Diane Watts, REAL Women of Canada, Box 8813, Station T, Ottawa, ON K1G 3J1 Fax:(613)236-7203 or email realwcna@rogers.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/or 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. Those 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, according to the constitution, 14 days prior to the Annual Meeting (April 21, 2014), and approved by the Resolutions Committee. Please send such resolutions to: **REAL Women of Canada, Resolutions Committee, Box 8813, Station T, Ottawa, ON K1G 3J1. Fax:(613)236-7203 or email to realwcna@rogers.com**

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

Cecilia Forsyth
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National President

DATED at Ottawa, this 10th day of February, 2014. †

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