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THE SHOP OF HORRORS—PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of America (PPA), which carries out a third of the abortions performed in the United States, is a lucrative business. It receives half a billion dollars annually in government funding; as well as half a million dollars annually from unions. Also, approximately 41 corporations heavily fund PPA. Some of these are well known companies such as Avon, Johnson & Johnson, American Express, Levi Strauss, etc.

PPA is managed by CEO, Cecile Richards, who is paid an annual salary of nearly \$600,000. Other top leaders in the PPA abortion industry pull in a collective \$4.1 million a year, with an approximate salary of over \$200,000 to manage the affiliates. The annual budget for PPA is 1.21 billion. Although it claims to be a non-profit organization, PPA is a well-oiled money making machine. What could possibly go wrong with all this success?

What went wrong was that PPA was discovered to have a sideline—selling the body parts of the babies it aborts. And why not? The logic obviously is the aborted babies are of no value since PPA is in the business of killing them, and the body parts should be put to good use by selling them at a nice profit for the corporation. This particular business is akin in the US to the former practice of slavery since, in both cases, the human bodies sold have no legal rights and are simply considered chattel.

This shop of horrors was revealed when an undercover video was released on July 14th showing Dr. Deborah Nucatola, the Senior Director of Medical Services for PPA since February

2009, casually sipping wine and spearing her salad while discussing how body parts are removed from aborted babies. She stated:

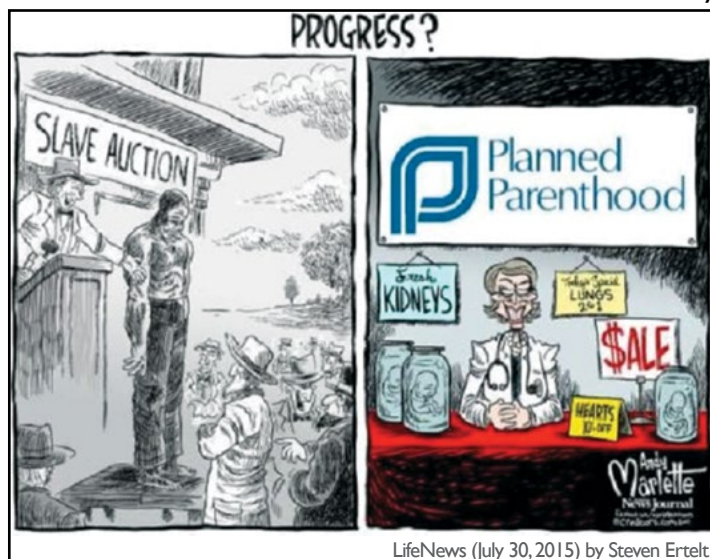
A lot of people want intact hearts these days ... and she has had requests for lungs and lower extremities.

During this interview, she admitted that she confers with her colleagues at the beginning of each day to determine what fetal body parts consumers are requesting and which patients that day will have babies from which they will be able to harvest. She then went on to state that they tailor the procedure to assure they do not destroy the desired organs. She says:

You're just kind of cognizant of where you put your graspers. You try to intentionally go above and below the thorax, so that, you know, we've been very good at getting heart, lung, liver because we know that, so I'm not gonna crush that part. I'm gonna basically crush below, I'm gonna crush above, and I'm gonna see if I can get it all intact.

This video was obtained by a pro-life group called the Centre for Medical Progress, an ethics organization, which sent individuals to pose as supposed buyers from a human biologics company.

When the video was released, Cecile Richards, CEO of PPA went into high gear, retaining a public relations firm to spin her story. She claimed PPA was not selling body parts of aborted babies, but merely providing "tissue" for medical



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research and charging only for the cost of transportation of these body parts to the recipient.

This explanation was quickly dispelled when the Centre for Medical Progress released a second video of another medical employee of PPA. It was a video of Dr. Mary Gatter, the Medical Director of PPA Pasadena and San Gabriel Valley in California. Gatter is a senior official within PPA and is President of the Medical Directors' Council, the central committee of all PPA affiliate medical directors.

In this video, Gatter discussed the pricing of aborted baby parts, informing the supposed biotech company officials that the prices for such things as a baby's liver, head or heart are negotiable. While haggling over payments for intact fetal specimens, Gatter offered to use a "less crunchy technique" to get more intact body parts.

A further video showed a PPA official, the director of research for PPA's Gulf Coast, Melissa Farrell, agreeing to alter the abortion procedure in order to deliver an intact aborted baby. According to Farrell, the fees paid for fetal body parts add tremendous "diversification of the revenue stream" for the PPA affiliate. She then goes on to say: "If we alter our process, and we are able to obtain intact fetal cadavers, we can make it part of the budget to cover dissections and splitting the specimens into different shipments," she said. "It's all just a matter of line items."

The last several minutes of that video show graphic footage inside the laboratory of PPA's Houston abortion facility where workers comb through the body parts of a 20-week old baby. "It was a twin", an employee says as she retrieves the remains from the refrigerator. Clearly developed hands and feet are seen in the dish, as the investigator pulls out a lung with a pair of tweezers.

REACTION TO THE VIDEOS

Since US federal law prohibits the commercial trafficking of fetal tissue for profit, which carries a penalty of up to 10 years in prison and a \$500,000 fine, and since the US has banned partial birth abortions since 2003, which law was upheld by the US Supreme Court in 2007, PPA is in deep trouble.

A Congressional investigation of PPA has been commenced: governors from 12 states in the US have announced that they will also be carrying out separate investigations of PPA's activities.

Despite multiple mentions of the PPA horror show being on cable networks, CNN, MSNBC and Fox News, the three US news networks, ABC and CBS, NBC, have given only minuscule coverage of PPA's activities, dismissing them as merely a "claim" by an anti-abortion rights group that PPA was selling "tissue" for profit. They completely ignored the video of PPA selling intact babies. The New York Times initially reported that the first video was "edited", and it took that newspaper 16 days to correct this factual error. (There was an edited version, but the complete video was also available.)

Some of the corporations funding PPA have now withdrawn their support. These include American Express, Ford Motor Company, Coca-Cola, Xerox and the American Cancer Society, which had previously funded some cancer control grants with PPA.

UNSPEAKABLE ACTS

These videos rip the mask off the abortion industry and PPA. Money is the motivation, piles of it, for carrying out these unspeakable acts. PPA officials speak of "intact cadavers" while they poke and prod dishes filled with aborted human bodies for sale. PPA is a shop of horrors.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF CANADA

Planned Parenthood of Canada changed its name in 2005 and now calls itself, The Canadian Federation of Sexual Health (CFSH). In November, 2014 it merged with two other pro-abortion organizations to form a new organization called Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights (ACSHR). The latter organization is funded by the US Ford Foundation.

The former Planned Parenthood of Canada remains an affiliate of International Planned Parenthood, which has 152 member associations in 172 countries. It promotes contraceptives, abortion and testing for sexually transmitted infections and HIV. Planned Parenthood of Canada's merger with the two other pro-abortion groups was necessitated by the fact that it had fallen on hard times. It had formerly been a powerful, influential organization heavily funded by the federal Department of Health under successive federal Liberal governments. When its funding was stopped by the Conservative government, the organization's income and outreach decreased considerably along with its influence. During its heyday, Planned Parenthood of Canada was the largest abortion referral agency in Canada (the Badgley Report 1977). †

MESSAGE BOARD

- Activism: Please consider participating in the on-line survey for the Federal Government's Panel on Assisted Suicide. <http://www.ep-ce.ca/en/home/>. It is extremely important that the panel hear from as many individuals and stakeholders as possible. See March 2015 REALity for more information.
- We will soon be sending out reminder letters to members who have not renewed their REALity subscription since 2011. It would be greatly appreciated if all of you who are in arrears with your REALity subscriptions please renew as soon as possible which will save us the postage, time and paper expense of sending out reminders. Thank you in advance for your kind co-operation.
- Our 2015 Federal Election Brochure has now been distributed to all members either by e-mail attachment or by an inset in the July/August print version of REALity. Please circulate as widely as possible to friends, relatives, neighbors who are concerned about family and pro-life values.
- Please write to your MP, and Prime Minister Harper to oppose Health Canada's recent approval of the abortion "Human Pesticide" pill, RU-486. †

PANEL APPOINTED TO STUDY ASSISTED SUICIDE

Send a submission recommending that the government apply the Notwithstanding Clause to this court decision on assisted suicide.

On July 17, 2015 the Conservative government appointed a panel to make recommendations on the issue of assisted suicide.

The Panel was put in place in response to the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada of February 6, 2015, *Carter v. Canada*, in which it ruled that the *Criminal Code* prohibition against assisted suicide violates the Charter rights of certain competent adults, with grievous and irremediable medical conditions, who seek the assistance of a physician to end their lives. The Court suspended its decision for 12 months, until February 6, 2016, to allow Parliament to respond by way of regulations and guidelines to facilitate assisted suicide. The government was to report its findings by the fall of 2015.

Members of the panel are:

- Dr. Harvey Max Chochinov, a leader in palliative care. He is a Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Manitoba;
- Catherine Frazee, professor emerita at Ryerson University and former Chief Commissioner of the Ontario Human Rights Commission. She is a disability rights lawyer;
- Benoit Pelletier, an expert in constitutional law at the University of Ottawa and former Quebec cabinet minister.

Both Dr. Chochinov and Catherine Frazee were witnesses in the *Carter* case, opposing assisted suicide.

The terms of reference of the panel provide that it is to consult key stakeholders, such as the interveners in the *Carter* case, and medical authorities as well as the Canadian public. The latter are requested to provide online submissions, which will remain anonymous, to the panel but the panel will meet directly with relevant groups, such as medical organizations, health care professionals, legal bodies, associations representing vulnerable populations, faith-based organizations and other key stakeholder groups. The panel is to provide a final report that outlines its key findings and options for a legislative response for consideration by the Minister of Justice and the Minister of Health.

The Panel will be focussed on the following issues:

1. Forms of physician-assisted dying: i.e., assisted suicide, where a doctor prescribes a lethal dose of medication that the patient takes himself/herself; and voluntary euthanasia, where a doctor injects a lethal dose of medication into a patient to consensually terminate his/her life;
2. Eligibility criteria and definition of key terms; and
3. Safeguards to address risks and procedures for assessing requests for assistance in dying and the protection of physicians' freedom of conscience.

ELECTION DELAYS THE OPERATION OF THE PANEL

On August 2nd, 2015, Prime Minister Stephen Harper called a federal election, which is to take place on October 19, 2015. According to the terms of reference of the panel, it was required to suspend its operation until after the election.

The election call has reduced by approximately 2.5 months the time that the panel has to operate. The panel's operation had also previously been limited by the fact that the Supreme Court of Canada gave the government only a twelve month window in which to implement its decision. This has made the panel's operation extremely difficult.

THE NOTWITHSTANDING CLAUSE

One solution to this problem is for the federal government to suspend the Supreme Court Decision on assisted suicide for a five-year period by way of the application of the Notwithstanding Clause (s.33 of the Charter of Rights). This provision permits the federal government (and provincial governments, should an issue fall within provincial jurisdiction) to suspend the operation of a court decision for a five-year period. This five-year period can be repeatedly renewed. The Notwithstanding Clause would ensure the time for proper consultation and deliberation over this life and death issue. This decision on assisted suicide is crucial to Canadians. Sadly, whatever regulations or guidelines that are put in place to protect vulnerable individuals and their health care treatment from exploitation, will not be successful, judging from experience in other countries. In fact, guidelines do not actually protect vulnerable individuals. For example, in August, 2015, under the Swiss assisted suicide legislation, an active 75-year old woman from the U.K., who suffered no form of illness or any health issues at all, was given a lethal injection simply because she was afraid of getting old. In the Netherlands the assisted suicide legislation which initially was only to protect the terminally ill, has degenerated so that a parent now has the right to have an ill or a disabled child put to death by injection. In Belgium, euthanasia now occurs to facilitate organ harvesting. The patient is counselled on the nobility of his or her generous donation to others, and then, if they agree to be euthanized, the transplant surgeons are present, waiting in an adjoining room, so the body can be quickly transferred for organ removal.

When society accepts the fundamental premise that killing is an acceptable answer to human suffering, those who have mental illness are especially vulnerable. Their lives are now being terminated, without their consent, in many cases in the Netherlands and Belgium.

There is no use pretending that these horrors will not occur in Canada, regardless of how stringent our regulations may be. The only reasonable recourse, therefore, is to insist that the Notwithstanding Clause be applied so that the decision of these unaccountable, appointed judges be suspended—hopefully indefinitely.

ON-LINE CONSULTATIONS TO CONTINUE

Although the panel has been prevented from operating during the election period, it has agreed to continue a passive approach to consultation during the federal election period. This means that the panel's web site (www.ep-ce.ca) will continue to receive submissions and the on-line consultation tool, such as a questionnaire and information for the public

developed for this purpose, will be available. The panel will not respond to any materials or submissions received.

Please send a submission recommending that the government apply the Notwithstanding Clause to this court decision on assisted suicide. This, together with a request for extended palliative care, are two viable means for us to protect the dignity of human life. †

DECEPTION ON DRUG POLICIES DURING 2015 FEDERAL ELECTION

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On August 11th, 2015 Prime Minister Harper announced his party's position on illicit drug use. His proposals included providing additional resources for RCMP to investigate clandestine drug labs; a hotline for parents concerned about their children's substance abuse, and a continuation of the prohibition of marijuana use, owing to the fact that, among other problems, it puts youth at risk. He also spoke out against drug injection sites, such as the one established in Vancouver in 2003.

Immediately following his announcement, the media were flooded with articles condemning Mr. Harper for his supposed "Neanderthal" views on drugs, and his "misrepresentation" of the facts on the harmful effects of marijuana.

These attacks were no accident. They were part of a well-organized campaign by advocates of drug legalization who call themselves the International Centre for Science in Drug Policy (ICSDP). This organization is funded by the US billionaire George Soros, the biggest legalization funder in the world. ICSDP recently published a highly misleading report on marijuana which the Canadian media have taken at face value, not looking at who is behind it, and its deceptive and biased research. This report was too good an opportunity for the media to miss as they never lose an opportunity to attack the Conservatives. The media have also ignored the fact that the American Medical Association, the Canadian Medical Association, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Society of Addiction Medicine, American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and most other major medical and health groups world-wide, do not support marijuana legalization. Senior researchers at Harvard, Boston Children's Hospital, the University of Texas and the University of Pennsylvania have issued a lengthy response to the ICSDP's misleading report stating that ICSDP's report contains abundant factual errors and logical flaws. No reference of this was published in the media.

It is expected that election campaigns will be filled with misrepresentations, but these criticisms of Mr. Harper and the Conservative Party's opposition to liberalizing drugs in Canada went far beyond misrepresentation and dissembling; they were, instead, a direct falsification of the facts. This was

done in order to assist the opposition NDP and Liberal parties which have announced policies that would liberalize drug use in Canada—especially marijuana.

ICSDP claims that its information on drugs—especially on marijuana—is "scientifically" based and refutes information to the contrary. This misinformation provided by ICSDP, is only thinly veiled propaganda based on trumped up evidence, in order to engineer a policy of drug legalization in Canada.

The members of its so-called "Scientific Board" of ICSDP are all active advocates in the drug legalization movement. Its "Scientific Board" includes three lobbyists for the drug injection site in Vancouver. According to information obtained under The Access to Information Act, these same three individuals received \$18 million from the Canadian Institute of Health Research (CIHR) between 2003 and 2011 to carry out research on the site. The political objective of their research was to support the drug injection site by attempting to falsely "prove" its success. Without exception, all their results were highly supportive of the facility. These studies were peer reviewed only by supporters of the drug injection facility. Contrary to standard scientific procedure, these researchers refused to share their data so that the studies could be replicated.

The claims by ICSDP are similarly based on manipulated evidence, which is not just overblown, but is deliberately misleading and false. For example, ICSDP claims that marijuana use carries low risk of dependence. Yet, the prestigious New England Journal of Medicine reports that when marijuana use "begins in the teenage years, the overall risk of dependence is **17%**, and for those who progress to daily use, the risk of dependence is as high as **50%**". Another example is ICSDP's claim that a 2014 study found that smoking marijuana is irrelevant to cancer and lung health. This, however, is contradicted by the conclusions of the actual study!

There is no doubt that the purpose of distributing this so called "scientific" evidence by ICSDP, supported by the obliging media during the election, is to bring about changes in Canada's drug laws so as to legalize drugs.

This distribution of completely false information by ICSDP and the media, without disclosing its bias, and pretending its findings are scientifically based, has crossed the line of acceptable practices during an election campaign. It is a blatant attempt to manipulate the election outcome by promoting false information. †

THE LOSS OF A GREAT HUMAN BEING —SOPHIE JOANNOU



REAL Women was deeply saddened by the death of Sophie Joannou on July 10, 2015.

Sophie gave her heart to REAL Women for over 25 years. She was our Secretary-Treasurer, then acting Treasurer and a valued member of the Board of Directors. She was familiar with so many REAL

Women members since she kept the membership database up-to-date and was a daily volunteer at the Ottawa National office. When she returned home in the evening, she did further work for REAL Women!

As a single mother of six children, Sophie knew the ins and outs of managing money. As a result, as Treasurer, she ran a tight ship and this contributed to REAL Women thriving without government grants when other women's groups, dependent on federal largesse, collapsed when their funding was reduced or eliminated.

Sophie also found the time to help patients in the hospital as a volunteer translator. She was also always there to assist older patients with her gentle skills, and acted as power of attorney for some of these vulnerable people. She was

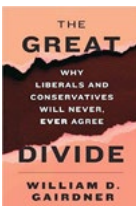
a mine of information, with an interest in local and federal politics and regularly attended concerts at the National Arts Centre and other cultural events.

Her primary focus, however, was her family. She was always willing to help her large family with baby sitting and organizing gatherings, taking the grandchildren to local museums and musical events. She is survived by her six children and 15 grandchildren. Her family cared for her with love and tenderness during her final year when she combatted cancer with courage and grace supported by her deep faith.

Condolences for her family can be made at the Ottawa Citizen Guest Book, where you will be able to read many words of praise for Sophie from across the country: Always cheerful and selfless, professional, generous, genuine, caring, wise, humorous, kind, humble and tireless are words to describe Sophie. There was no one else like her. She had a deep faith, serving God by serving others, and she made the world and REAL Women a far better place with her presence. May God continue to bless and keep Sophie and her family always. The memory of Sophie remains a part of all of us who knew her.

<http://www.legacy.com/guestbooks/ottawacitizen/sophie-joannou-condolences/175285191> †

BOOK REVIEW: THE GREAT DIVIDE: WHY LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVES WILL NEVER, EVER AGREE



The Great Divide: Why Liberals and Conservatives Will Never, Ever Agree

By: William Gairdner

Published by Encounter Books, 264 pages
Cost: \$25.99, (\$13.19 Kindle edition)

With ground-breaking books such as “War Against the Family”, “What’s Wrong With Canada?” and “The Book of Absolutes”, William Gairdner now focuses on the different world views of liberals and conservatives. Because of irresolvable differences, it is true that both sides will never agree, yet he attempts to clarify core ideas so that we can, first, know on which side we belong on a variety of core issues, and secondly, enrich the quality of debate beyond superficial posturing.

The book can be read in sections depending on your specific interest. For example: one can go deeply into the foundations of liberalism in the French Revolution and what is called the Enlightenment, or one can examine the major characteristics of the conservative philosophy of life. Sections of particular interest are: equality and inequality, morality, the desire by the liberals to overcome nature, God and religion, abortion, homosexuality and gay marriage, and euthanasia. There are 14 topics covered, where Gairdner illustrates conflicting understandings about human nature, reason, democ-

racy, freedom, equality and inequality.

Ideological clashes between a liberal modern individualism and a conservative concern for the common good are reflected at every level—in legislatures, the courts, academia, the rise of socialism, high taxation, the family.

The liberals believe the purpose of the state is to perfect economic and social equality, but conservatives accept that human beings are fallible and imperfect by nature and there is a natural difference in people i.e. some more talented and intelligent. The conservatives defend this kind of natural inequality as a vibrant and certain sign of a free and flourishing society. They also defend the conviction that the strong have an obligation to help, to teach, and to lead the weak, the less gifted, and the vulnerable. The liberals on the other hand, believe simply put, that the state must erase these inequalities among people.

That is, the examined “great divide” reveals the liberal utopian abstraction vying with a conservative defence of organic reality. The egalitarianism of today’s libertarian socialism opposes the flourishing of natural inequality, Gairdner claims. The liberal abstract plan for egalitarian perfection is contrasted with ageless conservatism and its respect for traditions, customs and the “religious and moral principles gifted to us by our predecessors.”

Personal choice and liberty are sovereign to liberals. Thus the privatization of morality is the foundation of recent liberal imperatives from courts and governments on abortion, marriage re-definition, euthanasia and transgenderism. This contrasts with the conservative view that morality is a public matter which affects the whole community or the public good. Radical progressivism contrasts with a conservative approach which holds that customs and traditions must always be assumed true unless shown to be otherwise.

The author reminds us that the war against the family is a war against nature, and is an attempt to eradicate all natural differences. It is also a war against biology since biology threatens equality of liberty. This is clearly seen in the gender wars, underlying abortion, marriage re-definition and transgender activism. Gairdner is conscious of a “concealed theology” in political discourse today.

Not to be missed is the discussion of sex-ed in the chapter on homosexuality and gay marriage, which cuts through modern obfuscation and clearly defines what sex and marriage are not.

Gairdner exposes the false reasoning behind the “harm principle” which holds that all is acceptable as long as no one else is harmed. He points to the often overlooked fact that

majority opinion does not determine the right or good of a law. He notes that the abstract plan of liberals for egalitarian perfection is a common factor in liberal movements of the 20th century, supposedly to create a heaven on earth. He elaborates on his observation that equalizing laws to eradicate discrimination are themselves a form of discrimination. He also makes a good case for the similarities between slavery and abortion, both based on the willful determination that the person does not exist legally.

Major themes in the book are illustrated with tables listing how liberals and conservatives differ in their understanding of basic issues such as human nature and democracy. One table shows the different values held in the Canada of 1950 and today, on health care, property rights, free speech, official surveillance, taxation, divorce, transgenderism, prostitution and others.

“Where do you stand?” tables clarify the differences between the modern liberal view and the conservative view on main topics of interest. The book is informative and is a book of self-discovery as well.

The book can be ordered at www.williamgairdner.com or at major bookstores and online books for sale. †

CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION PROVIDES PRO-LIFE VOTERS GUIDE



There is **no** issue more important at election time than the pro-life cause. Without the right to life all other rights are meaningless.

Election day is fast approaching on October 19th and Campaign Life Coalition (CLC) has endorsed almost 100 pro-life candidates (including sitting MPs) for the federal election.

To view CLC’s Pro-Life Voters Guide online visit www.campaignlifecoalition.com †



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