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## SHOCKING REVELATIONS ABOUT CANADA'S EUTHANASIA LAW

Canadians are being swept mercilessly into a death trap by Liberal government legislation, passed in June 2016, which allows physician-assisted suicide. This law was based on a decision by the Supreme Court of Canada (*Carter v. Canada*) which opened the trap door to deaths by lethal injection. The Supreme Court of Canada had foolishly and naively stated that "properly designed and administered safeguards would protect ... vulnerable people from abuse and error." This false belief has led to 13,946 deaths since 2016 by assisted suicide, according to Health Canada's first annual report, released in July 2020. Canada's rate of death by euthanasia has increased more rapidly than in other permissive countries, with annual numbers that are double the deaths from motor vehicle accidents.

Canadians can justifiably ask what has happened that Canadians are so readily tumbling into this death trap?

A reliable answer to this question has been provided by three Canadian palliative care physicians, Doctors Leonie Herx, Margaret Cottle, and John Scott, who published *The "Normalization" of Euthanasia in Canada: the Cautionary Tale Continues* in the *World Medical Journal*, April 2020. These physicians are engaged in a nightmare, struggling to maintain respect for the dignity of human life in face of the widening maelstrom of euthanasia. They have pointed out that the major flaws in the legislation are:

1. Ambiguous eligibility criteria for death
2. A lack of adequate and appropriate safeguards
3. The erosion of conscience protection for healthcare professionals
4. The failure of adequate oversight, review and prosecution of non-compliance with the euthanasia legislation

Their article reports on the terrible consequences of this legislation, deliberately and misleadingly called "Medical Assistance in Dying" (MAID). Their article, which has been endorsed by 142 other Canadian physicians, serves as a warning to other countries, which may be considering similar legislation. The article undercuts the popular portrayal of euthanasia in Canada, which is presented only in positive terms. Instead, the three physicians provide evidence to demonstrate that there are tragic, negative and dangerous consequences to the euthanasia legislation, which is a radical shift in medicine, and especially in palliative care medicine.

The authors also point out that, in four years, Canada has moved from approving euthanasia for so-called exceptional cases, to euthanasia being used as a normal, almost routine, option for death. This has been due in part to Canadian judges reinterpreting the law to widen it by inserting their own personal interpretation of the issues. Also, a less restrictive interpretation of eligibility criteria is being used by the providers of euthanasia, who do not face intervention from the courts. Euthanasia providers have referred to this expansion as merely "a maturing of the understanding of what we're doing". This has led euthanasia providers to approve cases they

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would not have previously approved due to earlier fears of criminal prosecution. In short, although reports of violations of the *Criminal Code* and of regulatory body regulations have been documented, no charges have been laid in Canada.

### **NO REAL SAFEGUARDS**

Another important point the authors make is that the supposed safeguards written into Canada's legislation are illusionary. The failure of safeguards preventing unnecessary assisted suicide in any country was confirmed in an article recently published in the Dutch Medical Association Journal by Dr. Bert Keizer. (The Netherlands legalized assisted suicide in 2001). Dr. Keizer, a long-time practitioner of euthanasia, who now works at an end-of-life clinic run by the Dutch Right to Death Society, is pleased with the slippery slope effect of euthanasia legislation, which has gradually expanded eligibility for euthanasia death. Dr. Keizer regards this slippery slope as a "beneficial progress" in the practice of euthanasia. He explains this in his article,

Every time a line was drawn, it was also pushed back. We started with the terminally ill, but also among the chronically ill it turned out to be hopeless and unbearable suffering. Subsequently, people with incipient dementia, psychiatric patients, people with advanced dementia, elderly who struggled with an accumulation of old-age complaints and finally [the] elderly who, although not suffering from a disabling or limiting disease, still find that their life no longer has content.

### **AMENDMENTS TO CANADA'S CURRENT EUTHANASIA LAW**

The Trudeau government is proposing the expansion of the euthanasia law to delete the criterion that assisted suicide should occur in only those cases where there is a "reasonably foreseeable natural death". The removal of this criterion opens up euthanasia to those with chronic conditions, disabilities and mental health issues. As a result, in the near future, euthanasia in Canada will almost certainly be open to any person who feels their suffering cannot be addressed except through intentional death. Regrettably, the Board of Directors of the Canadian Psychiatric Association, on February 10, 2020, supported euthanasia for all patients whether or not they are capable of providing a valid consent because of, for example, schizophrenia or depression, etc., even though these are treatable.

### **LACK OF ACCESS TO CARE FOR THE DISABLED**

Another concern expressed by Herx, Cottle, and Scott is that Canadians are requesting euthanasia because of lack of access to proper care, and availability of disability supports. There are documented cases in which individuals have been told by health care providers to consider euthanasia as an "answer" to a perceived poor quality of life caused by a lack of healthcare resources to meet their needs. In short, the lack of support and societal inequality for those experiencing disabilities are now being used to justify the termination of their lives. The fact that a person's life can be ended, based solely on their disability, further stigmatizes and devalues their lives.

### **PALLIATIVE CARE UNDERMINED BY ASSISTED SUICIDE LEGISLATION**

During the debates on legalizing assisted suicide, it was argued that access to palliative care would be a "safeguard" against euthanasia for vulnerable individuals. In reality, fewer than 30% of Canadians have access to any form of palliative care. If euthanasia is supposed to be an informed choice, this has no meaning when there is no access to palliative care as an alternative. Euthanasia is significantly cheaper than rigorous, traditional palliative care, and the financial savings of euthanasia for the healthcare system have already been published in medical journals. With an aging demographic and diminishing fiscal resources, the option to save money in this way may become increasingly acceptable to healthcare decision makers.

### **CONFUSION ABOUT EUTHANASIA WITH PALLIATIVE CARE**

A further problem in Canada is that supporters of euthanasia, such as the Dying With Dignity organization, are deliberately confusing the language of end of life to promote the concept that palliative care also includes assisted suicide. Palliative care would never intentionally hasten death. Also, Dying With Dignity, among others, such as the B.C. government and physicians supporting euthanasia, are pressuring palliative care providers to incorporate euthanasia within the scope of practise. This has occurred with the ten-bed palliative care hospice in Ladner, B.C., operated by the Delta Hospice Society and in North Bay, Ontario, where physicians involved with assisted suicide attempted to pressure a palliative care hospice to open beds for their use. They argue that euthanasia should be "one of the many items in the palliative care basket". It is not.

### **PALLIATIVE CARE NOT EQUALLY FUNDED**

The federal legislation on euthanasia has positioned it as a healthcare "right" under the *Canada Health Act* so that it must be publicly funded and accessible to all Canadians. Palliative care, however, is not afforded the same status. There is no similar requirement for it to be funded and accessible to Canadians. This is highly inequitable since 98% of deaths in Canada are natural deaths, not via euthanasia. Dying patients should have access to palliative care as a right.

The availability of euthanasia has had, in another way, a profound effect on palliative care. When a patient states, "I just want this to be over", there is now a knee-jerk reaction to consult the euthanasia team as a first response and neglect what palliative care has to offer. It has always been a standard of care, however, to engage a patient in serious dialogue or try to understand the nature of their suffering and grief in order to determine what supports might be helpful. That is, an expression of distress needs to be explored and supported in order to help a person and their loved ones to focus on their living, even while dying, and to provide support to people on their journey so they do not feel abandoned or alone. The ready availability of euthanasia prevents this from happening.

## REASONS WHY PATIENTS RECEIVE ASSISTED SUICIDE

The official Health Canada report on euthanasia states that it is requested for the following reasons: Loss of ability to engage in meaningful life activities (82.1%) followed closely by loss of ability to perform activities of daily living (78.1%), inadequate control of symptoms other than pain or having concerns about it (56.4%). Disturbingly, 34% reported being a perceived burden on their family, friends or caregiver as reason for the

euthanasia request, and 13% reported isolation or loneliness.

Canada's rate of death by euthanasia has increased more rapidly than in other permissive countries. Eligibility criteria have expanded and safeguard mechanisms have been weakened. Pain, fear, loss of control and a sense of being a burden are not solved by hastening death by injection, but by providing palliative care that honours and protects our most vulnerable citizens at a most difficult time in their lives. †

## THE RESULTS OF THE CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP RACE

***“Social conservatives have shown themselves to be a large and determined segment of the Conservative Party of Canada ... [and] will not tolerate, under any circumstances, the ignoring of their views or the talents they bring to the party.”***

The Conservative leadership race had surprising results.

At the beginning of the race, the “fix” was in for Peter MacKay who was set up as the acknowledged winner by the Red Tory elites who were running the campaign and by the mainstream media. They expected that Mr. MacKay would win on the first ballot. This didn't happen.

The Red Tories and the media did their best to exclude social conservatives from the leadership race by disparaging them and their values, believing they were a political liability. This manipulation utterly failed.

Social conservatives rose up in a fury and let it be known that they would not tolerate either the party's or the media's attempt to exclude them from the political debate in Canada.

On the first vote, the two social conservative candidates, Derek Sloan and Leslyn Lewis, combined to capture 40.3% of the total votes cast. On the second ballot, Leslyn Lewis' vote jumped to 60,316, which resulted in her receiving 10,140.3 points, or 30%, just falling behind MacKay's 34.8% and O'Toole's 35.2%. She did this aided by the votes from Derek Sloan, who had dropped off the ballot.

In the third and final ballot, MacKay didn't even come close, as he only received 43% of percentage points compared to O'Toole's 57%. It was the ballots of the social conservatives that put O'Toole over the top. He now owes social conservatives big time.

Leslyn Lewis raised over \$2 million dollars from 600 donors during the campaign, more donors than that of either MacKay or O'Toole. She will be given a prominent place in the party as a black female lawyer who will serve as a protection against any accusations of racism or misogyny. How much actual influence Ms. Lewis will have in determining the party's policies remains to be seen.

### ERIN O'TOOLE AS LEADER

After spending the Conservative leadership campaign courting the social conservative voters, Erin O'Toole lost no time reaffirming his pro-abortion position. He stated on August 25, 2020 “I am an MP with a clear track record for standing up for human rights, whether it's women, whether it's the LGBTQ community.” In regard to standing up for women, he made his views on abortion clear when he stated on June 18, 2020, that abortion “is a right for a woman to make that decision, in fact, in law school is when I learned the case that granted that right and...I will defend all rights for Canadians”. Since there is no “human right” for abortion, either in the ten UN human rights treaties or under Canadian law, O'Toole is either misinformed or is deliberately misleading the public. Social conservatives have taken note.

### SOCIAL CONSERVATIVES



Social conservatives have shown themselves to be a large and determined segment of the Conservative Party of Canada. The party has been placed on notice that social conservatives will not tolerate, under any circumstances, the ignoring of their views or the talents they bring to the party.

Social conservatives will be watching Mr. O'Toole with a justified expectation that their support will be acknowledged and reflected in the party.

As Mr. O'Toole and the Conservative Party move forward, they have the opportunity to focus on what unites us. This includes the importance of the family, respect for the conscience rights of MPs on morally objectionable bills concerning assisted suicide and conversion therapy, the controlling of debt, the decentralization of the power of the Prime Minister's Office, Parliamentary reform so as to allow the public some input into legislative decisions, reaching out to the West, a recognition of the contribution our natural resources make to the economy, and defeating the corrupt and incompetent Trudeau government. †

# THE TRUDEAU GOVERNMENT IS A TOWER OF BABEL

The Trudeau Liberal government is a tower of Babel with all the Liberal elites facing inward in a tight circle babbling to one another. The members of this circle have no understanding of or interest in other Canadians. Sagely nodding their heads and murmuring approval, they are in complete agreement with all the government's progressive left-wing policies.

From time to time, they widen their circle to admit some other select individuals, such as the Kielburger brothers of WE Charity, family members, and special friends, such as feminist and homosexual activists. Money flows easily and frequently among these individuals who believe they are entitled, since they are the ruling elites.

They believe their opinions and beliefs are enlightened and always right. The opposing views of those outside their select circle are regarded as baseless and ignorant. Should any non-progressive views be publicly expressed, such as those made by Conservative leadership candidate MP Derek Sloan, who publically expressed his opposition to abortion and homosexual special interests, the elite Liberals react with shock and dismay. They believe such views must be suppressed as being an intolerant affront to decency.

This is not something new for the Trudeau government. Such reaction is an integral part of its governing process. For example, the government refuses to accept nominations for Liberal candidates who are pro-life, and awards grants for the Summer Jobs Program only to those who agree with its leftist, progressive policies.

This pattern of behaviour emerged again when Liberal Member of Parliament Pam Damoff (Oakville North-Burlington) recently demanded that Mr. Sloan be removed from the Conservative caucus for expressing "offensive" opinions. MP Damoff's interpretation of "diversity" apparently does not extend to diversity of opinion.

This is not the first time that Liberal MP Damoff has attempted to suppress opposing views. In 2017 she was instrumental in barring pro-life conservative MP Rachael Harder (Lethbridge, AB) from chairing the Parliamentary Committee on the Status of Women because of Ms. Harder's pro-life views.



MP Damoff has obvious difficulty in working and associating with those whose views are different from hers. This must create a serious handicap when serving her constituents, who may not all agree with her party's policies.

It appears that the attack on Mr. Sloan for his opposition to abortion and the homosexual agenda has now become a pattern set by the Liberal party. Other Liberal MPs have also attacked Mr. Sloan for his statements. These include Liberal MP Chris Bittle (St. Catharines) and Liberal MP Mark Gerretson (Kingston and the Islands). In effect, the Liberal Party is now demanding that not only its own supporters, but all Canadians, be forced to accept Liberal policies.

## DISASTER FOR CANADIANS LIES AHEAD

On September 23, 2020 in the Speech from the Throne, Prime Minister Trudeau and his newly-minted Minister of Finance Chrystia Freeland have proposed a blueprint for progressive, left-wing economic policies, such as investing in renewable energy and other green initiatives, national universal daycare plan, and pharmacare. Why did they include these latter expensive items? How did they reach this conclusion? Did they consult the provincial governments, businesses, or the public? No, they did not. The plans that they have devised to address the economic recovery after the devastation by COVID-19 are based mainly on consultation only within their inner circle in their tower of Babel.

The throne speech was a repeat of what the Liberals do—spend, spend, spend. They show little concern that Canada's deficit for this year is going to hit \$343 billion. Trudeau and Freeland's plans will add billions more to the federal debt, now at \$886 billion, for our children and grandchildren to pay. This is of little concern to Trudeau and Freeland since they will not be around to deal with the problem they are creating.

## UNIVERSAL CHILDCARE PLAN

The ears of feminists certainly pricked up when they heard the magical words in the throne speech that there would be "significant, long-term sustained investment to create a Canada-wide early learning and childcare system". According to the throne speech, it was necessary to provide high quality spaces for children to ensure that women would be able to return to the workforce. The real purpose of this is to provide further tax dollars from women's paid employment so that Trudeau will have more money to throw around to his friends and supporters. In short, the value of women to Trudeau is the amount of money they can contribute to the GDP, not their value as mothers to the next generation. Expensive daycare should not be provided for the purpose of improving the economy, but rather should be for the benefit of children. According to numerous studies, the daycare offered by Quebec, for example, has not benefitted most children. If Trudeau really respected women, he would have increased the childcare benefits and let the family itself decide how it will spend it on childcare.

The throne speech did not put a price tag on daycare, but back in 1999, a leaked federal discussion paper from the

Department of Health concluded that such a program would cost, at that time, \$12 to \$15 billion annually. Inflation alone would raise this to \$18 to \$22 billion a year in 2020.

Another problem with this grandiose plan for a universal daycare system is that it falls under provincial jurisdiction and the provinces have to come onside with the plan before it is feasible. While provinces are always eager for more money from Ottawa, they tend to be less interested when Ottawa proposes a “Canada-wide system” in an area of unambiguous provincial jurisdiction.

Significantly, much of the pressure for a national plan comes not from parents, but from childcare lobbyists who have been heavily funded by the Status of Women since they were formed in 1982 to research and lobby for a national daycare plan. These lobby groups have the most to gain from a national plan, since it will guarantee them financial security for their working lives by placing them on the government’s payroll with secure income and benefits.

Feminists have used the pandemic to loudly demand that women require government-funded universal daycare, otherwise they will not be able to return to work. On the contrary, women want flexibility and choices in the workplace and home, not government authoritarian policies.

#### **THE NDP WILL ENDORSE TRUDEAU’S PLANS**

Trudeau’s minority government needs the support

of the opposition NDP in Parliament. There is little doubt that NDP leader, Jagmeet Singh, will provide this support since his left-wing party has long advocated for this move to the left. Singh will be only too willing to support Trudeau’s throne speech, believing his party will share the “glory” of these huge, expensive programs. An added incentive to the NDP is that the party is broke and in debt, and does not want another election at this time. The NDP lost half its seats in the 2019 election, and another election would be too risky.

#### **WHAT DO CANADIANS DO ABOUT THIS FINANCIAL TRAVESTY?**

Every thoughtful Canadian must do what he/she can to resist Trudeau’s self-serving plans. Writing to our MPs, regardless of party, about this disaster is a must. We should also write to our provincial premiers protesting Trudeau’s abuse of power by intruding into provincial matters, such as childcare, which intrusion evidently will only lead to a further concentration of power in Trudeau’s inept hands. Our letters to the editor resisting this should be featured in all our newspapers. We should use our individual initiative to do what we can do in this time of national disaster, which under the circumstances, is not too inflammatory an expression.

In the end, if we cannot stop Trudeau’s plans, we know there will be a federal election within the next year, and we do know what to do about that. †

## **NATIONWIDE AUDITS NECESSARY FOR DRUG CONSUMPTION SITES IN CANADA**

Loud warning bells can no longer be ignored in regard to the abuse of funds provided by provincial governments to drug consumption sites. These funds have been provided to care for vulnerable drug addicts, but are being used for the benefit of and support of lavish lifestyles for management, board and staff operating these sites.

These funds were squandered. They should have been used for treatment beds so that clients could at least have the chance to recover.

Instead, two consumption sites in particular—one in Vancouver and one in Lethbridge, Alberta—have already been audited, which disclosed that those individuals operating these sites use some of the funds to pay for parties, entertainment, gift cards and expensive holidays.

This raises concerns about the use of funds provided to the many other consumption sites established across Canada in recent years. Does the information disclosed by these two audits mirror what is occurring in other such sites across the country?

#### **LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA**

The drug site in Lethbridge is operated by a not-for-profit group called ARCHES, to which has been allotted \$14.5 million

a year in provincial funds between October 2017 and March 2020. The consumption site was opened in February 2018.

A recent audit disclosed:

- In 2017, the drug site executive received a salary of \$96,744. In 2018, this was increased to \$207,830 and was increased in 2019 to \$342,943.
- \$1.6 million was missing and could not be traced.
- Within three years, the Lethbridge operation grew from less than ten employees to 177, one being a relative of the management with no record of the employee’s qualifications. Others were hired with no interviews or resume.
- \$13,000 of interest paid to ARCHES’s bank accounts was used to pay for parties, staff retreats, entertainment and gift cards in breach of the provincial grant agreement.
- \$4301 was spent on European travel to attend a conference in Portugal with a stay at an expensive hotel. The reservation confirmation indicates that one of the rooms was reserved for two adults and two children while the other was for an ARCHES senior executive.
- The organization’s credit card was used to pay for a \$2200 television that could not be located.

- A \$2100 gift card for a Lethbridge oil change business was obtained. The owner of the oil change business was the spouse of a senior executive of ARCHES.
- \$1129 was spent on gift cards for restaurants and beauty products, which were given as Christmas gifts to workers and board members.

### VANCOUVER DRUG INJECTION SITE

The Vancouver Drug Injection Site was established in 2003 by the Portland Hotel Society (PHS). An audit was conducted in November 2013, which indicated that the government funding was used by management and directors, using the site's credit card, for dining, wine, travelling, luxury hotels, flower arrangements, hair salons and limousines. For example:

- \$15,749 was spent on a trip to Paris for the co-executive and his wife for undisclosed reasons.
- In November 2009, the co-executive and his wife took a trip to New York City to stay at a luxury hotel at a cost of \$9266, paid on the site's credit card. \$250 was also charged to the credit card during this visit for salons.
- \$69,000 over a period of three years averaging \$1927 per month was spent on 764 restaurant meals.

- \$5832 was spent on a Danube River cruise for a Portland Hotel Society (PHS) manager.
- Another PHS manager, his wife and two children took a vacation to Disneyland which cost \$2700 in May, 2012.
- Trips by PHS to Vienna, Paris, Istanbul, Los Angeles, Banff and Ottawa at a cost of \$69,000 over three years had no supporting documentation or financial oversight.
- In 2013, \$8600 was spent on limousine rides.
- In 2013, a hotel stay in the U.K. by a director cost \$900 a night with no supporting documentation.

Many more expenses were revealed by both these audits. The audits expose a troubling breach of trust of the taxpayer's money. The degree of misappropriation, mispending public money, violation of contractual obligations and poor governance of the operations is intolerable.

Individuals who are given the responsibility for the care of poor and vulnerable drug addicts should not be permitted to exploit their position for their own personal benefit.

With what has been exposed by auditing two of the drug injection sites in Canada, it is imperative that a Canada-wide review or audit of other such sites be undertaken. †

## WHAT IS BLACK LIVES MATTER?

"Protests" are occurring in the U.S. and Canada. One of the groups wreaking havoc and destruction is known as Black Lives Matter (BLM), a bundle of contradictions. It was founded in 2013 by three black feminist activists, Patrisse Khan-Cullors, Alicia Schwartz Garza, and Opal Tometi. These leaders acknowledge they are trained Marxists. For an organization that professes to eradicate racism, it ignores the fact that Karl Marx was a radical racist and anti-Semite. He was ethnically Jewish, but hated the Jewish faith, and all other organized religions. He is well known for this oft-quoted assertion that "religion is the opium of the people". He avoided seeking paid employment, and, instead, lived off the largesse of friends and relatives. He had several mistresses and an illegitimate son, and sacrificed the lives and health of his wife and children, who often were without food and fuel, while he worked obsessively on his intellectual pursuits in the London public library. Marx's work is the basis for communism, which has caused suffering and death for millions of people worldwide. Karl Marx was no role model for anyone, let alone a movement alleging it wants to change society for the better.

The reality is that BLM is using the plight of poor blacks to organize a movement to acquire and concentrate power by overturning the social, economic, and political systems of western civilization.

It is sponsored by the Alliance for Global Justice (AGJ), an anti-capitalist group which has advocated for communist governments in Cuba, Nicaragua, North Korea, and Vene-

zuela. George Soros' Open Society Foundation has funded AGJ, granted \$33 million to BLM and pledged \$220 million for so-called "Black-led justice organizations."

Many people mistakenly believe that the BLM is only about relieving the suffering caused by racism but are unaware of the real goals of the organization.

The radical goals of this movement can be found on the BLM website and its numerous articles, tweets, and interviews. They expose that BLM's demands extend far beyond the relieving of the suffering of black people. BLM is not a civil rights organization, but, instead, is trying to replace current society with an egalitarian, socialist society that embraces all "oppressed" groups and identities—such as class, gender-identity, sexual orientation, and immigration status. The movement also seeks to disrupt the nuclear family and replace it with "villages" where people collectively care for one another.

BLM calls for a "progressive restructuring of tax codes at the local, state and federal levels to ensure a radical and sustainable redistribution of wealth", that is, an end to private property rights. Another demand is "the retroactive decriminalization, immediate release and record expungement of all drug-related offenses and prostitution and reparations for the devastating impact of the 'war on drugs' and [the] criminalization of prostitution."

It is significant that BLM also specifically demands abolishing police forces, or, at least, defunding them. BLM's call to abolish police forces, however, does not represent the views

of black Americans. A recent survey found that 67% of African Americans were concerned that a shortage of police protection would endanger public safety, with 63% regarding policing as one of the most important jobs in the country.

Further, BLM claims there is discrimination by police forces against black individuals. This is not supported by the evidence. In 2019, 1004 people were killed in the U.S. by police using lethal force: 158 were black, all but ten were armed, and six of these attacked the police. The percentage of unarmed, male blacks killed is .00005% of all black males. In 2018, 2,925 African Americans were murdered, 89% by African Americans. In perspective, 6,088 African Americans died of opioid overdose.

In regard to black deaths, a fact that is being hushed up is that the major cause of black deaths in the U.S. is due to abortion. A new study, "Perceiving and Addressing the Pervasive Racial Disparity in Abortion" in the *Journal of Health Services Research and Managerial Epidemiology*, published August 18, 2020, found that "abortion is "a major cause of death" that "disproportionately affects a racial minority." According to this study, "Black women have been experiencing induced abortions at a rate nearly 4 times that of white women for at least 3 decades, and likely much longer." The authors wrote, "The science community has refused to engage on the subject and the popular media has essentially ignored it."

Further, the authors state that, "the evidence is clear that for many decades black children in the United States have not had, and do not have today, an equal opportunity to survive until birth."

#### HOW BLM'S GOALS ARE BEING ACHIEVED

It is difficult today to see any media, visual, or written material, which does not include evidence in the U.S. of the destruction caused by BLM. It is toppling statues, including that of George Washington, Theodore Roosevelt and even that of the famous black leader, Frederick Douglass, a former black slave who led the movement for the emancipation of slaves. BLM has also damaged or overturned religious statues, and in July, burned several churches in the U.S.

Nightly protests are held in cities run by Democratic Party politicians, in, for example, Seattle, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, and Portland. This is occurring even though many of the leaders in these cities, such as mayors, city councillors, police commissioners, and heads of teachers' unions are blacks. These "leaders", however, are reluctant to prevent or criticize this destruction, claiming that the protestors are "peaceful". Videos of the burning, looting, and violence during the protests show otherwise. The Democratic Party leaders will not interfere with the illegal riots because they believe the protestors will support them in future elections.

It is alarming that the corporate world is pledging support and donating millions of dollars to Black Lives Matter. Prominent brands include Amazon, Microsoft, Nabisco, Gatorade, Airbnb, Starbucks, Warner Records and Goodyear Tires.

The mainstream media refuse to accurately report the riots because they do not want to undermine the revolution by publishing the facts, in the hope that the violence may

lead to the defeat of President Trump in November.

#### BLM IN CANADA

Canada has also experienced demonstrations by BLM in Ottawa, Toronto, Barrie, Vancouver, Edmonton, Regina, and Winnipeg. These latter demonstrations, however, have been largely peaceful, with the protestors proclaiming that racism is pandemic in Canada and demanding the demilitarization of the police, whom they allege are brutally victimizing blacks.

Police have generally kept a low profile at these Canadian demonstrations. Prime Minister Trudeau, however, has supported BLM's claims of systemic racism, stating that it and policing have been long-standing problems in Canada and need to be addressed.

On June 5, 2020, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau attended a BLM rally on Parliament Hill, put one knee to the ground and bowed his head in support of the demonstrators who chanted, "Demilitarize the police!" One wonders whether Trudeau knew that he was bowing to Marxist ideals. In view of his open admiration for communist China and its former leader, Mao, and communist Cuba's former leader, Fidel Castro, it seems he knew exactly what he was doing. †

### AGM REMINDER

The new date for **REAL Women of Canada's Annual General Meeting** is **October 31** from **1:00 pm** to **4:30 pm** at:

#### LIBERTY SUITES HOTEL

7191 Yonge St., Suite 1201  
Thornhill, ON L3T 0C4

(North of Steeles Ave—East Side of Yonge St)

To attend, please call **1-905-787-0348** or email [info@realwomenofcanada.ca](mailto:info@realwomenofcanada.ca) by **October 27**, as attendance is limited due to the pandemic.

#### ACCESSING OUR AGM THROUGH ZOOM:

We are offering **REAL Women of Canada** members who are unable to attend our **2020 AGM** in Toronto the opportunity to participate virtually using the platform **ZOOM**. If you are interested, please send an e-mail to [realwcto@realwomenofcanada.ca](mailto:realwcto@realwomenofcanada.ca) by **October 23, 2020**, so that we can confirm that you are a member in good standing. For security purposes, we also require that you send us a digital photo taken in the last year. There is no charge to participate. You will need access to a reliable internet service. The day before the meeting, you will be sent a link and instructions to connect to the meeting. Please note that you will not be able to vote remotely on any of the motions, but you will be able to ask questions through the **ZOOM** chat box. †

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear supporter of REAL Women of Canada:

Welcome to the October 2020 issue of REALity. If there are specific topics/issues that you would like to read in REALity and they are within the aims and objectives of REAL Women of Canada, please send us an e-mail with your request. While there are innumerable important issues that are related to various aspects of Canadian women and the family, we are dedicated to motivating the government to integrate the needs of the family into government policies and legislation. We focus on political and social issues impacting women, the family and society. Our website lists 11 important issues that are currently being debated by policy makers.

This month, we have stories on drug consumption sites, Canada's euthanasia law, the federal government's suppression of opposing views amongst the electorate, Black Lives Matter, and the results of the Conservative Party of Canada's leadership race. We always welcome any comments or feedback on our REALity stories.

We are getting ready for our Annual General Meeting on Saturday, October 31, 2020, to be held in Toronto (Thornhill). Please check out all the details in this issue and in last month's issue. If you would like to attend in person, **you must RSVP by October 27**. Due to COVID-19 restrictions at our venue, the number of people allowed to attend is very limited. Contact us soon to book your spot. Attendance is restricted to members of REAL Women of Canada, in good standing (i.e. membership is up to date). This is not a public meeting. We are trying something new this year for members who are unable to attend our AGM in person. We are live streaming our meeting. If you would like to attend this online version, please contact us by phone or e-mail (see notice in this issue) by **October 23, 2020**, to save your spot. Attendance at this event is also limited. For security purposes, please also send us a recent photo of yourself, within the last year if possible. Close to the date of the AGM, we will send you a link which will enable you to join the meeting virtually. Our plan is to live stream our speaker as well, Blaise Alleyne.

Since our last issue of REALity, we have been busy sending out Alerts and Press Releases to keep you up to date. Alerts contain an action item, such as writing to your MP/MPP, signing a petition, or participating in a rally. Often these Alerts and Press Releases appear in REALity as a story. On August 31, we issued a Media Release about the Conservative Party of Canada leadership race, which is published in this issue. On September 2, we issued an Alert, asking you for letters to Conservative Leader Erin O'Toole to appoint Derek Sloan to his Shadow Cabinet. Most of this Alert is contained in this issue's story, "The Trudeau Government is a Tower of Babel. On September 17, we issued a [Press Release](#) regarding Erin O'Toole's legitimate criticism of the Netflix movie "Cuties", which was child pornography. Then on September 22, we followed up on this Media Release by issuing an [Alert](#) asking you to thank Mr. O'Toole for his stand on this movie and to send your objections to Netflix. On September 28, we issued a [Media Release](#) on the federal government's Speech from the Throne, with their plans to provide Universal Day Care, to ensure there is no impediment for women in the workforce.

Have you seen our short promotional crowd-funding video on our website? Check it out and try using it to recruit new members for REAL Women of Canada. <https://www.wonderwe.com/real18#>.

We are grateful for your ongoing financial support, which we rely on as our only source of funding.

Regards,

*Pauline Guzik*

Pauline Guzik, National President †

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