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# MARIJUANA BILL LEGALIZES POT FOR 12 TO 18-YEAR-OLDS

Bill C-45 legalizing the recreational use of marijuana passed the House of Commons on November 27<sup>th</sup> 2017 and was sent to the Senate, the following day, November 28<sup>th</sup> 2017. If passed, Canada will be only the second nation in the world after Uruguay to fully legalize this dangerous drug.

Bill C-45 is a monstrous bill which will have a devastating effect on Canadian families and Canadian society. The most troubling effect of the bill is that it permits 12–18 year old young people to have access to and share marijuana.

This is the case despite Prime Minister Trudeau's repeated false assertions that the bill "...is to protect our kids. Right now we know that young people have easier access to marijuana than just about any other illicit substance. It is easier to buy a joint for a teenager than it is to buy a bottle of beer. That is not right."

The Liberal Party website states that one of the purposes of legalizing marijuana is to ensure we keep marijuana out of the hands of children ...

Section 7(a) and (b) of the bill states the purpose of the bill:

- (a) Protect the health of young persons by restricting their access to cannabis;
- (b) Protect young persons and others from inducements to use cannabis;

The provisions of the bill, however, directly contradict its stated objective of keeping the drug away from children. This is based on the fact that Section 2 of the Bill defines "young person" as an individual who is "between 12–18 years of age."

Section 8 (1) (c) of the bill provides: that a "young person" may possess 5 grams of marijuana (or ten joints). And Section 9 (1) (b) provides: that a young person may distribute up to 5 grams of marijuana (or ten joints). Finally Section 12 (4) (b) provides: that private homes may grow up to 4 marijuana plants without legal sanction.

Consequently the bill clearly provides that individuals between 12 to 18 years of age may freely possess, use, and even share marijuana up to 5 grams at a time (10 joints). There is absolutely no recourse if a minor is seen carrying, using, or handing out marijuana. A child can literally take ten joints from his parents' stash, hand it out to his friends, go back home, take another ten, hand them out and keep doing it as often as he wants. This will deeply affect school environments and our neighbourhoods.

### **MARIJUANA IS HARMFUL**

Scientific evidence indicates that marijuana is a danger to public health. The harm caused by marijuana is listed on the website of Health Canada. The Canadian Medical Association, the Quebec Association of Psychiatrists, and Pediatricians Alliance of Ontario have warned that the human brain continues to develop until 25 years of age and marijuana use gravely stunts the development of adolescents.

# WHY IS THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT PUSHING FOR THE LEGALIZATION OF MARIJUANA?

Justin Trudeau unthinkingly blurted out during the 2015 federal election, that his party would legalize marijuana, without his understanding what a complex undertaking it would be. He did so to obtain the millennial vote.

What began as a political or ideological issue has now become an incredible profit-making industry. The money of George Soros and other billionaires has fueled organizations in many countries, including Canada, to successfully push for this legalization. The initial ideological push on marijuana has now been dwarfed by the gold-rush of capitalists pushing it. According to the Globe and Mail (February 1st 2018) the legalization of recreational marijuana could give rise to a domestic consumer market between \$8-\$9 billon per annum. The NDP government of BC handed down its budget on February 23rd 2018 in which it conservatively estimated that the province will take in \$50 million dollars in the current fiscal year in marijuana sales once marijuana is legalized later this

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year, and \$75 million in 2019-2020. Quebec's financial minister estimated that his province would receive \$60 million annually from the sale of marijuana.

That is, the role of money is now central to the spread of marijuana legalization. Pro-marijuana propaganda is flooding the media in order to indoctrinate and habituate the public to use marijuana for the financial benefit of marijuana entrepreneurs and governments on the federal and provincial levels.

Further, although the provinces in December 2017, reached a deal with the federal government to keep the price of marijuana low to drive out the illegal black market, this is not going to happen. Police, experts and experience all indicate that the black market always undercuts legal marijuana sales. For example the black market has not gone away in Colorado, Oregon or Washington State since marijuana was legalized there for its recreational use. Keeping down marijuana sales by criminals is a fantasy.

#### WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

It is critical that we do our best to try to stop this bill becoming law by its passage in the Senate.

Please contact the Senators immediately to let them know that legalization of marijuana is not acceptable, and this is especially the case in regard to children between 12-18 years of age, who will be provided legal access to marijuana under this bill.

Senators can be reached at this link... http://4mycanada.ca/wp/?page\_id=99 †



Patrick Corrigan: Marijuana taxes, *The Toronto Star*, January 29, 2016

# THE SORROWS OF THE AGED IN JAPAN

The number of Japanese children born in 2017 is the lowest since records of births began in 1899.

This reduction in births is a result of the decrease in marriages in Japan in 2017. Approximately 607,000 were married, which was roughly 13,000 less than in 2016. This was the fifth straight annual decline, and the lowest number of people getting married since the end of World War II.

There were 941,000 Japanese children born in 2017, compared with a peak of almost 2.7 million during the baby boom that followed World War II. This decline has implications for everything from the economy, pensions, national defence and the general sustainability of the nation.

The Japanese government is scrambling to halt this population decline. It is encouraging industry to keep older workers working and encouraging families to have more children. It is even discussing an increase in immigration. This is not a very popular policy, however, as the Japanese, historically, have wanted to keep their population stream unadulterated.

Unfortunately, efforts to encourage mothers to have more children are not having much effect. The latest figures show that Japanese mothers are getting older and women choose to marry much later in life after establishing careers. These are factors contributing to the lack of births. Nonetheless, the Japanese government is stepping forward to encourage births by providing free pre-school, private high school and university education. The government hopes that a strong economy, combined with measures to make it easier for moms to combine work and child bearing might alleviate the situation.

#### **ELDERLY MOST AFFECTED BY POPULATION DECLINE**

The group most affected by the population decline, however, is the elderly. Although Japan is traditionally known for its low crime rates, elderly criminals in Japan are on the rise. Oddly, almost a quarter of elderly former prison inmates are back in prison, within two years of their being released, compared to the average return rate of 18% for all others.

The reason for this strange phenomenon, of the elderly in Japan filling the prisons and then returning to prison, is due to increased poverty among this age group. That is, most of the individuals over 65 years in Japanese prisons are there because they have deliberately committed petty crimes, such as shoplifting or theft in order to gain access to prisons in order to alleviate their economic hardships, according to the *Japan Times*.

As a result, Japanese prisons are increasingly like nursing homes. The growing numbers of elderly criminals have led to the Japanese government approving a plan in 2017 to assign nursing care staff to about half of Japan's prisons.

It's not that living in a prison is all that pleasant for the elderly. Talking is forbidden while at work in prisons, inmates must walk single file, and bathing is restricted. Despite this, prisons apparently compare favourably to a lonely life with little food and poor, unheated accommodation. Prisons, at least, offer free food, warm accommodation and healthcare.

The latest figures show that 27.3% of the Japanese current population is over 65 years of age, and this is expected to increase to 37.7% in 2050. •

# 'MEDICINAL' MARIJUANA MAY DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD

There is little research to support any benefit from medical marijuana. The little evidence that exists suggests using marijuana as medicine may be doing more harm than good, according to the family doctors' association advisories in Alberta and British Columbia. The Alberta College of Family Physicians has distributed more than 32,000 advisories to family physicians, summarizing the lack of scientific literature on the subject. In November, 2017 it sent out a second directive describing the adverse effects of marijuana reported by some of the few studies available. These include hallucinations, paranoia, dizziness and low blood pressure.

This advisory was distributed because of the increasing pressure on family physicians from patients requesting marijuana for medical reasons. Health Canada has released data indicating that the number of clients registered with licensed medical marijuana producers, jumped to more than 200,000 by June, 2017 which is about 2.7 times greater than the 75,166 people registered at the same time in 2016. In fact, registrations have more than tripled in both 2016 and 2015. Medical marijuana has become a challenging issue in Canada.

Health Canada has also published a lengthy information bulletin on medical marijuana which is topped with a disclaimer warning that marijuana is <u>not</u> an approved therapeutic product, and the department does not endorse its use.

# RESEARCH ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN

Research on medical marijuana is not easy to obtain. In the first place, drug companies do not obtain any benefit from researching the product. The latter only conduct research when it has developed a drug for which it hopes to obtain a patent. There is no patent obtainable on medical marijuana. As a result, there is no profit in the drug manufacturers researching it. While a positive outcome in research of medical marijuana might not have much of an effect on the drug industry's bottom line, a negative outcome, on the other hand, could seriously harm profits. Hence, the drug industry has absolutely zero interest in researching medical marijuana.

Also, in order to undertake competent research on medical marijuana, it is necessary that there be a control group to be given a placebo to determine if there is any difference with actual marijuana use. Those taking the placebo, however, know that they have not been given marijuana since they do not experience any of its effects when consuming the placebo. Until such time as a credible placebo is developed (if ever) that simulates marijuana's effects, looks and smells for all intents and purposes, but does not have the actual ingredients in marijuana that is being tested, it is difficult to prove that marijuana provides medical relief.

The outstanding problem with medical marijuana remains that doctors are hesitant to prescribe marijuana to their patients due to a lack of knowledge around dosage. In addition, a report published in *The Journal of Alzheimer's Disease* which studied 26,000 people, of which 1000 were regular marijuana users, indicates the users showed a global reduction of blood flow in nearly all regions of the brain, but especially to the hippocampus. Alzheimer's disease affects the hippocampus first as it progresses in patients, and according to one of the co-authors of the study, Dr. Cyrus Raji, of the University of California, what surprised the team of researchers was the low blood flow in the brains of those examined. It was already known that marijuana was toxic to the brain.

If drug companies are reluctant to fund marijuana research why doesn't the federal government do so?

It recently provided a limited sum of money for research, but the reason that it refuses to fund intense research was suggested by Michael DeVillaer at McMaster University, an expert on the spread of drug problems and analysis of drug policy. According to DeVillaer the federal government's hesitation to devote more funding to cannabis research may stem in part from a reluctance to find evidence of harm from a product that produces so much tax revenue. He went on to say, "We'd hope they would put their responsibilities to support public health research over their hunger for revenue, but research just doesn't ever seem to have been part of the government's agenda." †

### MESSAGE BOARD

- Annual General Meeting: A reminder to mark Saturday, May 26, 2018, on your calendars, as it is the Annual General Meeting for REAL Women of Canada, to be held in Toronto. See the details in this issue. Come to hear our guest speaker, MP Brad Trost.
- Action Item: As requested in this issue's article, "Marijuana Bill Legalizes Pot for 12 to 18-year-olds", please write to our Canadian Senators to let them know that legalizing marijuana is not acceptable, especially for children and adolescents..
- Action item: As requested in this issue's article, "Keep Your Children Away from Disney Productions", please write to the Disney Corporation objecting to its attempts to indoctrinate children on politically correct issues, namely the LGBTQ agenda.
- <u>Cookbook Drive:</u> We have now sold all of our REAL Women cookbooks which we were offering as a fundraiser. We thank everyone who ordered a cookbook and hope that you will enjoy the many delicious REAL recipes for REAL cooks (men and women!)
- Membership: Yet another reason to become a member of REAL Women of Canada: You will be joining the only Canadian women's movement that provides an alternative voice to the radical feminist ideology movement which claims to speak for all Canadian women. REAL Women will be YOUR voice, standing up for pro-life values and for the values of the natural, traditional family. JOIN NOW! Thank you for your support. †

## TRUDEAU THE ELITIST BREAKS ETHICS RULES

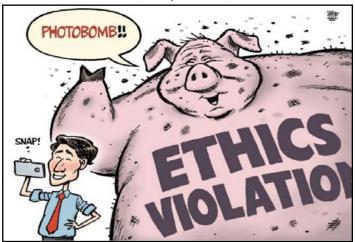
Prime Minister Justin Trudeau believes that he has been anointed as a special person, and that, as a result, he does not have to follow any rules or guidelines relating to ethical behaviour that others must follow.

With this in mind, unknown to the public, Trudeau and his family have made their private, secret visits to the luxurious estate of the Aga Khan, in Bells Cay in the Bahamas. The Aga Khan is Chairman and Director of the organization Aga Khan Foundation Canada and a registered Lobbyist in Ottawa. His organization has received \$482 million since 1981 from the federal government. In the 2017 budget, the Aga Khan's Foundation received \$47 million from the federal government. Trudeau also sat in on two meetings focused on a federal grant to the Aga Khan Foundation.

Trudeau and his family's visits to the Aga Khan's private island took place on March 16 2014, December 2014, and December 2016. It was not until the December 2016 visit that the Prime Minister and his circle were caught concealing these free holiday trips to the Aga Khan's home.

It seems that in regard to the December 2016 visit, Trudeau's wife Sophie Grégoire Trudeau had written the Aga Khan's daughter, Princess Zahra Aga Khan, requesting the opportunity to spend her family's Christmas Holidays on Aga Khan's Island. Oh yes, she also invited a few of her friends to come along as well. These friends included Liberal Minister of Veteran's Affairs, Seamus O'Regan, first elected in 2015 for St. Johns South- Mount Pearl, and former CTV Broadcaster, with his "wife" Stelios (Steve) Doussis, as well as Liberal Party President, Anna Gainey and her husband, Tom Pitfield. The latter is a childhood friend of Trudeau. The Trudeau delegation spent a week at the Aga Khan's, who is an Imam, and is the spiritual leader of the world's 1.5 million Ismaili Muslims.

Although these visits were highly secretive, the National Post found out about them, and demanded an accounting by Trudeau. Trudeau at first denied that he had breached provisions of the Conflict of Interest Act by these visits, arguing that the Act allows for gifts from "friends" and the Aga Khan was a long-time "friend" of his. Upon investigation however it was discovered by the Ethics Commissioner, Mary Dawson, that Trudeau had had



Theo Moudakis: Photobomb, The Toronto Star, January. 11, 2018

no contact with the Aga Khan since his childhood, during the last 30 years. It was only when Trudeau became Liberal leader in 2015, that the Aga Khan contacted him. It was undoubtedly useful for the Aga Khan to contact a young politician on the make. That is, the Aga Khan was an effective operator who successfully nurtured his relationships to help finance his Foundation. Trudeau however apparently did not have any problem staying at the Aga Khan's luxurious estate, even though his government was generously contributing to Aga Khan Foundation.

Andrew Scheer, Conservative opposition leader, laid a complaint with the Ethics Commissioner Mary Dawson, about Trudeau's secret visits to the Aga Khan's home. The Commissioner concluded that Trudeau had violated four regulations in the Conflict of Interest Act, these include:

- Accepting gifts that could influence decision-making;
- Not recusing himself from discussions that could further private interests;
- Failing to arrange his private affairs to avoid this opportunity; and
- Accepting travel on a non-commercial aircraft (The Aga Khan's private helicopter) contrary to regulations

In addition, Trudeau seems to have also violated the Criminal Code provision, Sec 121 (1) (c) which makes it an offence for any official of a government to accept "from a person who has dealings with a government ... a reward, advantage or benefit of any kind." No charges were laid against Trudeau for this apparent violation of the Criminal Code.

Trudeau is the first Prime Minister in Canadian history to be found guilty of breaking a federal law.

Also, the Conflict of Interest Act does not provide for any meaningful penalties for violations. Consequently, Trudeau, in effect, got off Scott free for his holiday on this Island.

He was not the least bit contrite about it, and showed the same arrogance that he exhibited when he refused initially to put an end to the Liberals' shameless "cash-for-access" scheme whereby wealthy individuals and corporate heads met privately with Trudeau upon paying a generous sum of money to the Liberal party. To Trudeau, it's all just the perks of the office.

The Conservative opposition party tried to hold Trudeau accountable for this breach of ethics by requesting he appear before the House of Commons Ethics Committee for questioning. This was blocked by the Liberal majority on the Committee.

The Conservatives are also demanding that Trudeau pay back to the taxpayers the amount of \$200,000 for his pricey trip to the Aga Khan's Private Island. This sum includes the cost of RCMP security, the use of the Canadian Challenger jet, and the Prime Minister's Office support staff—who were all present during the Bahamian holiday. Their expenses were all paid by the taxpayer.

Will Trudeau pay the amount that he owes the taxpayers? Not likely. Trudeau is not sorry for his breach of ethics and of the Criminal Code. He just seems to be sorry the public found out about it.

Trudeau's moral compass is obviously not in working order. •



**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT** the Annual General Meeting of the Members of REAL Women of Canada (hereinafter called the "Corporation") will be held on,

#### Saturday, May 26th, 2018 @ 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Light lunch provided. Please let us know if you are attending.

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### **ANNUAL MEETING**

Our Annual General Meeting will be held for the following purposes:

1. To receive the financial statements of the Corporation for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2017, together with the reports of the directors and auditors thereon;

Members may obtain a copy of the Financial Statement available at REAL Women of Canada's Ottawa Office.

- 2. To appoint Auditors;
- 3. 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, by May 12, 2018. 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 will be accepted on the date of the meeting, but, 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.

- 4. 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 by (May 12, 2018), 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.

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

# KEEP YOUR CHILDREN AWAY FROM DISNEY PRODUCTIONS

...[T]he Disney Corporation has changed and become unhinged. It is no longer suitable for families to watch the Disney channel if they do not want their children indoctrinated by anti-family story lines.

The wonderful memories of Walt Disney's early creative works such as Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, the mischievous Mickey Mouse, and Donald Duck and his three naughty nephews, Huey, Dewy and Louie, are now just fond memories to most of us.

Unfortunately, since those creative works were a part of our early lives, the Disney Corporation has changed and have become unhinged. It is no longer suitable for families to watch the Disney channel if they do not want their children indoctrinated by anti-family story lines. The latter has now apparently taken over the Disney Channel.

For example, the Disney Channel recently featured two anti-family story lines that shocked audiences around the globe.

One of Disney's new TV shows, Andi Mack, featured the first gay storyline on the Disney Channel. In a recent episode, a 13-year-old character "realizes" he is gay and "comes out" to his friends. His friends accept and affirm his same-sex attractions, and they applaud him for expressing his "true self."

This anti-family storyline already forced Kenya to pull Andi Mack from its airwaves.

A separate show on Disney's XD Channel recently featured both a same-sex kiss and a male princess. The Christian Post reported that an episode of *Star vs. The Forces of Evil* featured the character of Marco Diaz disguising himself as a princess named Turdina, in what LGBT-friendly outlets called a bold statement. Earlier this year the same show "featured a scene with same-sex couples kissing".

In 2017 Disney updated Beauty and the Beast from the live action version of 1991. The former version reflected the Christian, biblical ideal of marriage where the love between a man

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and a woman transforms sinful hearts, especially the "beastly" nature of the male descendants of Adam, the first man.

The new version of Beauty and the Beast has been diminished by a politically correct gender bending sub-plot between the villain Gaston and his effeminate sidekick as well as a cross-dressing joke. The sidekick Le Fou's homosexual attraction toward Gaston seems based on lust, rather than love, unlike that of the love that develops between Beauty and the Beast. The movie also includes the magical wardrobe in the heroine's room, dressing three unshaven men in women's clothes. One of the men obviously enjoys crossdressing, indicated by his leering at the viewers showing that he secretly likes women's clothes (a promotion of transvestite behaviour). Later during the movie's ending, that same man, now in male clothes, starts dancing with Le Fou. This last offensive image just magnifies the leftist identity politics and homosexual activism that Disney's film makers have admitted publicly they want to promote. The homosexual elements in this version of Beauty and the Beast are a political stunt, a base attempt to indoctrinate children in a particular ideology and agenda that doesn't match the rest of the story.

These homosexual additions are definitely not appropriate for a TV audience geared towards a young innocent family.

Disney should not be supported while it features content that is not appropriate for our children to watch.

Please let the Disney Corporation know that it has lost the support and viewership of your family because of its attempt to indoctrinate children on politically correct issues. The Disney Channel is supposed to entertain young children, not indoctrinate them with anti-family policies.

Please write to:

Walt Disney World 1313 Disneyland Dr. Anaheim, CA 92802, USA

Attention: George Kalogridis, Chief Executive Email: George.kalogridis@disney.com •

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