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FEMINISM AND TAXPAYERS' TAX DOLLARS

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In 2017 the Status of Women operated with an appropriation of "only" \$35,270,000. This was 19.4% more than the \$29,542,000 appropriation it received in the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

The Status of Women also received a boost from the 2018 federal budget which included an additional \$1,000,000 to the Status of Women to cover a five-year period. The explanation for this bonanza, was that the money was awarded to:

Support more initiatives to build the capacity of equalityseeking organizations [feminist only] to reduce gender inequality in Canada and to promote a fairer and more productive society.

This translates into even more money being poured into feminist causes by the Status of Women completely ignoring the views of all other Canadian women.

FEMINISTS COMMITTING A FRAUD ON THE TAXPAYERS

It is not widely known, but there are no such entities as "feminists groups" in Canada. The latter are an illusion, not reality. That is, there are no actual feminist organizations in existence. Instead, there are a handful of professional, white, well-educated professional feminists who claim to represent the views of all Canadian women. However, their so-called organizations do not actually exist, since they have no members and few supporters. Instead these professional feminists have created, for their personal benefit, an elaborate Potemkin Village to pretend that feminist organizations actually exist in order to lead politicians and the media to believe that their feminist opinions represent the views of countless women. They do not.

Under this pretense, millions of dollars of taxpayers' money has been given to these front feminists over the years by the Status of Women, which is staffed solely by those sympathetic to feminist views. This has enabled these

feminist professionals to pay themselves generous salaries, and to hire a few employees for the purpose of disseminating their personal ideology. This handful of professional feminists circulate as leaders among their fictional organizations with important sounding names whose sole purpose is to spread the feminist ideology throughout Canada.

This fraud on the Canadian taxpayer was made evident in September 2006, when the Conservative government stopped funding feminist groups for advocacy and lobbying. This resulted in the complete collapse of these organizations since they had no members to support them financially to replace the government handouts. The only few surviving feminists continued to operate due to the alternative funding from another government source, the Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), operated by Industry Canada, and by some union financing. The removal of government funding exposed them as the empty vessels they are.

The money provided by Justin Trudeau to these illusionary groups has given rise like a phoenix, to formerly dead feminist organizations, now being raised up once again to attempt to dominate Canadian society with their false ideology.

NO EVALUATION FOR GOVERNMENT FUNDING

The tragedy is that there has never been a proper evaluation of the Status of Women agency and its funding initiatives. It has operated, instead, largely free of scrutiny. In 2005 the Treasury Board did retain the services of an organization called Prairie Research Associates to try to evaluate and assess the value of the Status of Women. However, ac-

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cording to its report, this was an impossible task since there was little or no accountability by the groups receiving money from the agency since they were not required to justify their receipts or to submit any kind of strategic plan, or to demonstrate progress in achieving their supposed goals. There was also no clear link established to the original application made by the professional feminists to determine if the planned activities had been carried out, or whether any progress toward outcomes had been achieved.

In other words, taxpayers' hard earned dollars are being spent carelessly with no consideration given to basic accountability or evidence of results.

Despite this report, the program continues today, serving as always as a full pot of gold for use by feminist leaders. Only in Canada.

Examples of some of the current grants by the Status of Women are as follows:

1. Equal Voice

In October, 2016 the Status of Women gave \$1,000,000 to Equal Voice. The purpose of this grant was:

"to address some of the key systemic barriers that contribute to the under-representation of women in politics at the provincial, territorial, and federal levels in Canada."

This huge grant was in addition to previous grants given to the same organization in 2016-2017 amounting to nearly \$400,000.

2. Women's Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF)

This organization is the legal arm of the feminist movement. It consists of a few feminist lawyers whose operational funds come totally from the Status of Women and its legal challenges (in 140 separate cases over the years) paid from the federal government's Court Challenges Program. The latter program was disbanded by the Conservatives in 2006, but has now been reestablished under Justin Trudeau in 2017. LEAF will once again be influencing the courts in many legal challenges as it did in the past.

In 2016 this group received approximately \$329,000 from the Status of Women in operating funds.

3. Federation des femmes du Quebec

In 2016-2017 Federation des femmes du Quebec received grants amounting to over \$400,000 from the Status of Women. Its purpose allegedly was to advance opportunities and decision-making processes for women working in activist [feminist] organizations and labour unions, and to revitalize the women's movement.

4. Child Care Advocacy Groups

In 2016, child care advocacy groups received approximately \$500,000 to advocate for a national daycare plan.

5. Canadian Women's Foundation

On March 13^{th,} 2017, Canadian Women's Foundation received a grant of \$1,362,540 from Status of Women "to bring

together a diverse group of 150 women leaders from across Canada, to take part in a pan-Canadian network for women's equality", all expenses paid by the taxpayers for this jamboree

6. Canadian Feminist Alliance for International Action (FAFIA)

This group has received millions of dollars from the Status of Women to promote feminism in Canada since it began in 1999. Its specialty is to appear before UN monitoring committees to complain about Canada's failure to push the feminist agenda and then have these biased UN Committees' reports raised in Parliament as proof of Canada's failure to promote the feminist cause.

7. Planned Parenthood Ottawa

On November 21^{st,} 2016, Planned Parenthood Ottawa received a \$285,000 grant *to* work "to improve services for women experiencing violence related to sexual and reproductive rights in the Ottawa area".

For the year 2016-2017, Planned Parenthood Toronto received 75% of its \$3.6 million funding from federal, municipal and provincial governments (only \$113,643 from tax receipted donations).

The above are only a very few of the feminists who are receiving millions of dollars each year, to promote their unpopular ideology.

The Trudeau government believes all women think alike and clearly does not understand that women are not a single constituent vote, but are as varied as men in their opinions and perspectives. This belief is an insult to women's intelligence and independence. •

MESSAGE BOARD

- •Annual General Meeting: If you are reading this May REALity issue before May 25, and you will be in the Toronto area on May 26, we would like to remind you that REAL Women's Annual General Meeting will be held Saturday, May 26, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm, at the Canada Christian College, 50 Gervais Drive, Toronto. This is in the Don Mills area, near the Don Valley Parkway and Eglinton. The meeting is for members in good standing and invited guests. It is not open to the general public. However, if you are not a member of REAL Women, but would like to join, you may do so at the meeting. There will also be an opportunity for members to update their annual dues if they are in arrears. MP Brad Trost is our guest speaker, at 1 pm. If you would like to attend our light lunch at 12:30 pm, please RSVP, 613-236-4001 by May 24.
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FEMINIST ACTIVISTS FUNDED TO PUSH G7 COUNTRIES

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The G7 (Group of 7) world leaders from France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Britain, the US and Canada will be meeting in Charlevoix, Quebec in June, 2018 with Prime Minister Justin Trudeau as host.

The G7 has a number of critical issues to address during this meeting. These include the nuclear threat from North Korea, the war in Syria which is creating serious problems in the Middle East, China's growing political and economic power worldwide challenging the western world, and Iran having its trigger finger on nuclear missiles, to name a few of these concerns.

These issues, however, are apparently of little concern to Trudeau, who has quite a different agenda in mind for this G7 meeting. It may be that Trudeau is unable to understand the complexity of the G7 issues, or he is uninterested in the issues raised at the G7, hence his attempt to change its direction. Be that as it may, he is intent on using the G7 as his tool to promote feminism worldwide.

To further his agenda, Trudeau arranged for the government departments of Status of Women and Global Affairs (formerly Foreign Affairs) to sponsor a feminist summit entitled: W7 Feminist Visions for the G7. Seventy women from Canada and abroad met at this conference, funded by the taxpayer, held April 25-27th, 2018 at the National Arts Centre (NAC) in Ottawa. A panel session with Trudeau was included in the agenda. A large reception, personally hosted by Trudeau, was held in the Chateau Laurier Hotel, following a working lunch with the Gender Equality Advisory Council (GEAC) which was established by Trudeau. This Council consists of influential women such as Melinda Gates and Christine Lagarde of the International Monetary Fund. It also includes Trudeau's personally appointed Canadian Ambassador to France, Isabelle Hudon, who was given a salary by Trudeau far in excess of that given to any other Canadian Ambassador. The mandate of this Advisory Council is to advise the G7 presidency by way of recommending concrete actions for the G7 to advance gender equality and women's empowerment across all areas of the G7's work. The Council's recommendations are to be reviewed by the G7 Presidency and G7 consensus will be sought in order to implement the recommendations and proposed actions of the organization.

Yet another part of *W7 Feminist Visions*, #the Future is Feminist, has a Steering Committee comprised of Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights (Ford Foundation funded), which is a court intervenor supporting Trudeau's pro-abortion attestation of Summer Job grants, The Status of Women funded Canadian Women's Foundation, Oxfam, Inter Pares (which received \$4,496,402 from Global Affairs in 2016-2017) and lobbyists for The MATCH International Women's Fund.

It should be noted that Oxfam Canada is funded by Global Affairs Canada in the amount of \$6.9 million and \$37.7 million for Oxfam Quebec in 2016-17. The organization Plan Canada International (formerly Foster Parents Plan) received \$38.5 million from Global Affairs for 2016-17. They were both formerly traditional genuine charities, however, they have been taken over by feminists to impose their leftist, pro-abortion, gender re-defining agenda in Canada and globally. Sophie Gregoire Trudeau is the Global Ambassador for Plan Canada International. These two organizations joined with UNICEF and Bono's One Campaign to demand \$1.3 billion for what they bill as girls' education.

The feminist participants at #the FUTURE is FEMINIST are demanding a feminist approach to "transform systems of power... grounded in social constructions of gender and patriarchal attempts to control women's bodies." Claiming to represent 50% of the population, they want more funding to report, monitor and evaluate their self-defined objectives: "expand our understanding of gender beyond binaries (woman/man, femininity/masculinity)," redistribute wealth, more women's empowerment, feminist movement building, climate change action, sexual and reproductive health (abortion), and more.

The Status of Women sponsored the panel for #the FUTURE is FEMINIST career activists, who were addressed as "trail blazing feminists" and "sisters in the collective." These feminists feel that there is a backlash against their agenda, "the system is not working and must be changed," and were reminded by the moderator that "on the way to the revolution there are a lot of meetings." These professional feminists vowed to oppose "structural oppression" in Canada and globally, with even more government funding. When these feminists met with Justin Trudeau and Minister of Status of Women Maryam Monsef, Trudeau told the feminists "I want you to keep pushing me on this hard stuff." (Canadian Press, April 25, 2018).

How far will Trudeau get with his feminist agenda at the G7 meeting? Hopefully these world leaders will have the common sense to deal with the world's real problems, and not with Trudeau's narrow obsessions. •

THE PIPELINE CONTROVERSY IS NOT **ABOUT PIPELINES**

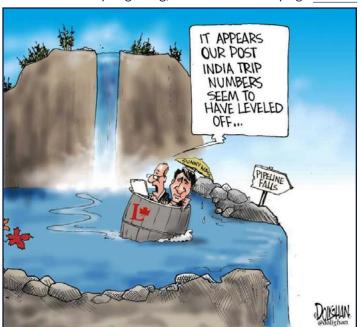
The controversy over the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline in BC, oddly enough, isn't about the pipeline. The controversy goes much deeper than that. It goes to the very core of Canada, our constitution, our families, our economy and our right to determine our own pathway as a sovereign nation.

The clamour against the development of the oil sands in Alberta by environmentalists, according to Scotiabank, is costing the Canadian economy \$15.6 billion dollars per year. Jobs are not available as a result. It affects all levels of government by denying the latter funds for our social, health and education services; it isolates Alberta and is causing stress by way of the conflict with the federal government and between the Alberta and BC governments. One would think because of the activity of the environmentalists, who forcibly object to the pipeline, that Canadians were irresponsible proponents of environmental abuse. In fact, Canadian standards of conduct in environmental responsibility are second to none in the world.

What then, is behind this conflict? The answer, bluntly stated, is economic sabotage, carried out by well-funded American interests. In 2008, the Rockefeller Foundation, the US William & Flora Hewlett Foundation, and the US Tides Foundation sponsored the Tar Sands Campaign to curtail the export of Alberta oil. A decade later, the success of this sabotage is undeniable. The agenda is to stop or limit the expansion of pipelines, up-traders and refineries, to cap oil sands development, and to isolate Alberta crude to Alberta only. It has largely succeeded.

The US based Tides Foundation directly funds Canadian environmental organizations, such as the Dogwood Institute and Leadnow, both of which were a featured part of the March 10th, 2018, anti-pipeline scuffle in Burnaby.

From the very beginning, the Tar Sands Campaign website



Toronto Star April 24, 2018 Editorial Cartoon

tells us, "the campaign strategy was to land-lock the tar sands so the crude oil could not reach the international market where it could fetch a high price per barrel. This meant national and grassroots organizers [need] to block all proposed pipelines".

In short, the campaign against the Alberta oil sands has been bankrolled by American groups trying to kill Canadian resource sales.

The Tides Foundation has given \$36 million to more than 100 organizations in Canada, the US and Europe to campaign against the oil sands development and the transportation of oil to foreign refineries and ports. Likewise, the Hewlett Foundation has given \$90 million to First Nations in Canada and environmental groups in British Columbia and the Western US to oppose oil and gas development. More than 60 groups also get behind-the-scenes and "ghost-writing" support from NetChange, a private American company funded to "support and amplify" the campaign.

The reason for this paid hysteria by US interests is that the latter want to keep Canadian oil landlocked so that it can't reach overseas markets such as China. Our landlocked oil, as a consequence, has to be sold to customers in the US at a largely discounted rate, which requires Canadian refineries to buy expensive oil from countries such as Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Azerbaijan and yes, the US, instead of using Alberta oil produced under the world's most stringent environmental protections.

This has all occurred even though the Canadian courts have made clear that the federal government has jurisdiction, under our constitution, to make decisions about infrastructure like pipelines and railways. The views of the First Nations are much more diverse than portrayed by the media. Indeed, First Nations across whose land the pipeline will lie, want to allow the Trans Mountain Pipeline to run across their land. There are some First Nations opposed to the pipeline, but the latter do not have the pipeline anywhere crossing their land. That is, First Nations most directly affected by the Pipeline, support it. In addition, polls conducted in BC indicate that the majority are in support of the pipeline. In fact, it is significant that 80% of BC communities close to the route (51 communities) support it.

FUTURE PROSPECTS FOR THE PIPELINE

The BC NDP government holds power only by virtue of the three seats held by the Green Party, which strongly opposes the pipeline. As a result, BC Premier, John Hogan, stated that he will do all that is necessary to stop the pipeline being built [and keeping himself in power].

Unfortunately, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, in the last election, diligently courted the environmentalists. He will be vigorously attacked by the pipeline opponents if the pipeline is built. The latter will be thrilled if the federal government and the RCMP throw scores of them into jail for disobeying the law. They will use violence, sabotage and civil disobedience to create confrontations over the pipeline. There is no end to the damage they will cause by activities such as chaining themselves to equipment, blocking roads, and vandalizing cars and trucks. The media will be delighted to report their nefarious actions as a legitimate political right. The problem will be that Prime Minister Trudeau, facing an election in October, 2019 will not likely have the backbone to insist on what he has the legal right to do: decide on the construction of the pipeline.

Canadians need a strong leader who will insist that the

pipeline be built. The pipeline is best for Canada. There is little doubt that the economic potential of pipeline construction and oil exports will be of substantial benefit to all Canadians, not just Albertans. Canadians should not be intimidated by protesters, funded by American interests, who will do all in their power to disrupt the construction of the pipeline. The well-being of our families is at stake in this struggle. •

HYPOCRISY IN FUNDING ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS BUT NOT FAITH-BASED GROUPS

The controversial Summer Jobs Program that denied grants to faith-based organizations because they oppose abortion, contrary to Justin Trudeau's personal beliefs, has recently given a grant to a BC environmental group, Dogwood Initiative, to hire an employee to picket, protest and obstruct the Kinder Morgan pipeline.

Conservative leader, Andrew Scheer, raised concerns about this grant in the House of Commons on April 25th, 2018. Trudeau replied that his government believed in "freedom of speech" and that was why the application by the environmental group was accepted. Trudeau obviously believes that freedom of speech should be allowed and funded by the government, providing that the speech in question is in accordance with his own personal views. This is hypocrisy since it fails to support the freedom of speech of faith-based groups.

Moreover, it is difficult to understand how the grant to the BC environmental group, Dogwood, which has \$1.6 million in funds, to hire a protestor, would even qualify as a "job", since its purpose is to stop the development of the Alberta oil sands. This is in contrast to the religious charities whose work is aimed directly at helping the truly poor, homeless and displaced.

Fortunately, Trudeau's discriminatory policy on the Summer Jobs Program is now being challenged in the courts. The Toronto Right to Life's challenge of the policy is currently before the Federal Court which has released an affidavit signed by Rachel Wernick, a Senior Assistant Deputy Minister with Employment Canada. The affidavit indicates that the government's policy on the Summer Jobs Program was based on the complaint organized by a single pro-abortion lobby group.

A floodgate of litigation is also occurring elsewhere against the Program by other rejected groups. For example, a small irrigation company near Brooks, Alberta has launched a legal challenge against the Program. Also, twenty Christian groups are preparing their court challenges against the Program.

Even the BC Civil Liberties Association is challenging the Trudeau government's policy on summer jobs, arguing that it is unconstitutional for the government to demand specific beliefs before providing funding to a group.

It seems that the Trudeau government's hope that its troubling policy on the Summer Jobs Program will die, is not going to happen. Nor should it. †

REAL WOMEN TESTIFIES BEFORE THE SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ON THE MARIJUANA BILL

"Bill C-45 puts in jeopardy significant treaties such as the non-proliferation nuclear treaties, treaties against war crimes, and the seven human rights treaties. This creates major problems for world order and international governance. This is not a trivial matter."

The controversial marijuana Bill C-45 is now before the Senate for review. It will be voted on by the Senate on June 7th, 2018.

In order to speed up the review of this bill, it was been broken down into four parts, with four separate Senate com-

mittees reviewing different aspects of the bill. After their review, these four committees are required to send their report to the Senate Social Affairs Committee which will make the final decision on the various recommendations. The Social Affairs Committee is chaired by former Liberal Minister Art Eggleton who is a staunch old-time Liberal. His committee will decide whether to adopt the amendments proposed by the four supplementary committees.

On April 19th, 2018, REAL Women testified before the Senate Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, one of the four committees, regarding Bill C-45.

Prior to our presentation, the Foreign Affairs Committee

heard a presentation from a Washington D.C. organization funded by George Soros, the US philanthropist who believes in no restrictions on human behaviour. The two representatives from his organization painted the future of marijuana as being acceptable worldwide with no restrictions. They also claimed that Canada need not be bothered by a trivial matter such as Canada's ratification of UN drug treaties which prohibit use and distribution of marijuana. The Liberal and Independent Members of the Committee ate up this testimony, regarding it as the gospel truth on marijuana.

REAL Women then followed with a guite different testimony which the Liberal and Independent Senators did not like, not one little bit.

We pointed out that Canada had previously ratified the three UN treaties on drug control which requires the criminalization of the production and distribution of marijuana. Canada has also ratified the UN Declaration on the Rights of the Child which provides in Article 33 that children must be protected from illicit drugs and prevented from being used in the production and trafficking of drugs.

The Declaration on the Rights of the Child was confirmed and approved by the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva in March, 2013.

The three UN drug control conventions were reviewed at the UN meeting held on April 2016 in New York City. This was the first time in twenty years that such a review of the drug treaties had taken place. At this meeting, the three international drug control conventions were confirmed and approved.

Sections 8 and 9 of the marijuana Bill C-45 permit adolescents (defined in section 2 of the bill as between 12 and 18 years of age) to possess and distribute up to five grams of marijuana or 10 joints and that section 12 (4) (b) provides that private homes may grow up to 4 marijuana plants without legal sanction. This allows adolescents full access to marijuana, contrary to the UN Declaration on the Child.

Similarly, since Bill C-45 provides for the decriminalization and recreational use of marijuana, it fails to comply with the three drug control treaties.

This was confirmed by the UN Narcotics Control Board in its 2017 annual report which stated that Canada's Bill C-45 was incompatible with the obligations assumed by Canada under the Drug Control Treaties.

According to Mark Gwozdecky, the Assistant Deputy Minister of International Security and Political Affairs at Global Affairs Canada, in his testimony before this same Committee in March, 2018, Canada will not be withdrawing from, or seek reservations to, or take "any treaty actions regarding the three drug conventions". That is, Canada plans to ignore the drug treaties and the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

In 2013 Uruguay was the first country to regulate marijuana at the national level.

An unexpected consequence of Uruguay's marijuana law is that the U.S. government invoked the *Patriot Act* which prohibits U.S. banks from handling funds for distributors of marijuana. International banks with U.S. headquarters have prohibited their Uruguayan branches from providing services to the distributors of marijuana.

Thus, distribution of marijuana in Uruguay has been cut off from the entire financial services market as every business associated with the newly legal marijuana industry risks being in violation of the U.S. drug laws and would lose its access to U.S. banks and dollar transactions.

This financial isolation in Uruguay will also occur in Canada if Bill C-45 is passed.

REAL Women also made clear that by ignoring its treaty obligations, Canada will be setting a dangerous precedent for other countries to also violate UN treaties.

Bill C-45 puts in jeopardy significant treaties such as the non-proliferation nuclear treaties, treaties against war crimes, and the seven human rights treaties. This creates major problems for world order and international governance. This is not a trivial matter.

If Canada continues with its intention to pass Bill C-45, despite its many problems both in respect to its domestic application and to international law, Canada, which prides itself in being a democratic country, will be an embarrassment. It will also be harmful, not only to Canada, but also to international law and governance.

The Liberal and Independent Senators did not like REAL Women's testimony at all, as accurate, and truthful as it was.

Several other Senate Committees were not as obliging as the Foreign Affairs Committee. The Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee recommended that there be a prohibition on the home cultivation of marijuana, and the Senate Committee on Aboriginal Peoples recommended the government delay legalization for a year.

That is not what the Trudeau government desires, so these recommendations will not likely pass Chairman Eggleton's scrutiny, and his instructions from the Prime Minister who has made it clear that the bill must not be delayed. •

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