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HELLO ALL (The Group of 7.690+ and arowinal):

..... All (the group of 1,000 and growing),

[The following is a **reprint** of an email that we sent to the "Group" (then 2,900) on December 1, 2018, before we became "Action Alberta". We are resending it because many of you have not seen it and **it is as true today as it was then.**]

ALBERTA - IT IS TIME TO GO IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION!

I have been a tax lawyer for over 45 years and think of myself as a **reasonable Albertan and Canadian**. So what I am about to say **may shock you, but it has to be said for the good of Alberta!** And if you wish to "Unsubscribe", so be it.

I woke up this morning realizing that **Albertans have stood back and watched** as pipeline after pipeline got **cancelled**, energy workers were **laid off** and thousands of them **moved out of Alberta**, investment **capital fled** the province (and now the country), Calgary's once booming downtown has been **hollowed out with vacancies in the 30% - 40% range**, smaller companies are barely hanging on or going out of business, and on and on!

Six months ago, Albertans constantly talked about Canada's **disastrous "Transfer Payment System"**, which the federal government just **extended for five (5) years without any provincial consultations**. Not anymore! **Today, Albertans are just trying to survive!**

When **GM announced the closing of its Oshawa plant and the laying off of 2,500 workers**, the federal government **fawned all over this tragedy** - fair enough. But when **Andrew Scheer** in the House of Commons asked the Prime Minister about why he had not commented on all the lost jobs in Alberta, the **Prime Minister pivoted to slam Doug Ford** for cancelling some French services in Ontario. **It is apparent that the Prime Minister (and his government) could care less about the problems in Alberta. He is attempting to finish what his father started in 1980 but could not complete!**

Both the **Prime Minister and his Principal Secretary, Gerald Butts** (past President of the World Wildlife Fund Canada and a staunch supporter of the US funded **"The Tar Sands Campaign"**) have talked about **"phasing out" the fossil fuel industry in Canada (read Alberta)**. Now with the federal

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government's indifference, it is happening **faster** than they could have ever dreamed. Funny, but they have never talked about **phasing out the auto industry or the aerospace industry**, both of which are **dwarfed by our energy industry?**

Today, Canada is not only broken - it is totally broken! Confederation may still work for Ontario and Quebec, but under confederation, resource rich **Alberta has become a mere colony of Eastern Canada**. The East wants the cash benefits that come from Alberta but is not prepared to contribute to the creation of those benefits. **Alberta has become Canada's "Little Red Hen"**.

Albertans have not asked Ottawa for the kinds of handouts that immediately go to eastern workers who lose jobs or to aerospace companies that are in financial trouble. All that Albertans have asked is for government is to **"Get out of the way so we can build, develop and prosper as a province!"** But no. The unelected **eco-gang in Ottawa** has taken control of our federal government and if they have their way, Alberta's energy industry will continue its **steady decline** at a time when world oil demand is on the increase.

Over the past 10 years **Alberta has paid to Ottawa** in aggregate tax payments **\$240 Billion more than it has received** from Ottawa. That surplus has been used by Ottawa as a **slush fund to subsidize the economies of Quebec and several other provinces**, all at a time when **Alberta is running a deficit**. In effect, **Alberta's future generations** will be burdened with repaying a large provincial debt **used to support the current lifestyles** of those living in those provinces. This must change as it is unsustainable! **Canada desperately needs Alberta! Alberta does not need Canada!**

So the time has come for Alberta to put the separation referendum option on the table when dealing with Ottawa and the rest of Canada. We cannot continue to let our political leaders refuse to even raise the topic, because that leaves Alberta negotiating with Ottawa and the rest of Canada with both hands tied behind its back.

Whether a separation referendum would pass or not (or if it did, what we would then do) is **not the issue**. **Alberta is being left out of the benefits of confederation, but is being forced to bear far more than its fair share of the burdens**. The **time for action** from our Alberta politicians (whether elected or hoping to be) is now!

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OUR READERS' COMMENTS SECTION

1. From a Reader: Would Justin Trudeau break the law in order to protect Albertans jobs? We are know the answer! NO In fact Trudeau Butts and McKenna have gone FAR out of their way to kill Alberta Industry and jobs!

2. From a Reader: I just subscribed to your Action Alberta e-mail list. I have also started forwarding it to other people. The first reader comment in the version I received (#56) related to how PET imposed bilingualism on Canada to turn the country into a French speaking nation. Couldn't agree more. In fact, back in the late 1970's my father had a book that was written by retired Lieutenant-Commander (Retired) Jock V. Andrew, titled "**Bilingual Today - French Tomorrow**". I am a third generation Albertan, born and raised in Calgary, as was my father. My grandfather was born to early southern Alberta settlers. This great Province was built by people like them, but its future existence is definitely under threat from Trudeau and the current Quebec elitist regime in Ottawa. I am sick and tired of being used and abused by Quebec elitists, and the gutless pacifist Canadians that continue to allow that to happen. It's time for Albertans to stand up for ourselves, and I welcome the publication of Action Alberta as a very positive step in that direction. The first step in solving any problem, is, of course, acknowledging that the problem exists. Mr. Trudeau (I refuse to call him Prime Minister) and the other Quebec elitists that he works with, are a very real and present problem, that must be dealt with, before they complete the destruction of our once great country. That intent on their part is becoming increasingly obvious with each passing day. The destruction of Alberta is only the first step in their plan. They must be stopped. Here is an excerpt from his later book ("Enough"):

<https://www.revolvy.com/page/Enough:-Official-Bilingualism,-Part-1-%252D-How-Pierre-Trudeau-Conned-Canada,-by-Jock-Andrew.-Ch-1-to-3?stype=videos&cmd=list&sml=-h56J2Qsibl&cr=1>

3. From a Reader: To the United Conservative Party: Respectfully, pipelines and equalization are two entirely separate issues. Enforcing our right to construct pipelines, an entirely legal business undertaking, in no way makes

equalization and it's inherently unfair process, suddenly acceptable. While I am not totally opposed to helping those who have less, I do not want to see it done as a perpetual handout and an apparent disincentive for progress in other provinces. Unfortunately, I no longer have any confidence whatsoever in the manner in which the assumptions, projections, inclusions, exclusions and subjective inputs involved in the equalization formula are made. If this desire to withdraw from a rigged game makes me a poor Canadian then **I'd rather be a proud but free Albertan**. In my view we are an embarrassment to our fellow Canadians and we should resolve their problem by going our own way.

4. From a Reader: Jihadi Jack. Why would Canada spend \$1 on a known war criminal? I have no sympathies. I had someone at my door tonight asking me to vote liberal. I acknowledged Kent Hehr is a nice guy and I admire his commitment and energy. However, he is supporting a criminal for Prime Minister who is considering supporting terrorists in the country along with his commitment to end the oil industry. I have never seen a worse example of federalism in 60 years. Time to consider options and I would never have said this in the past.

ADDITIONAL READING/ VIEWING

In closing, here is additional information on the problems we are facing and the need for us to take remedial action immediately to right our sinking ship.

1. WE ARE ENTITLED TO EQUALIZATION SAYS QUEBEC PREMIER

<https://montreal.ctvnews.ca/we-are-entitled-to-equalization-legault-takes-kenney-to-task-on-referendum-threats-1.4554780>

2. A GREAT VIDEO TO WATCH ON THE CO2 CLIMATE CHANGE FRAUD!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ViY2J3LPgN4&feature=youtu.be>

3. QUEBEC'S LOVE OF EQUALIZATION AND HATRED OF PIPELINES

<https://theprovince.com/opinion/columnists/gunter-quebecs-love-of-equalization-and-hatred-of-oil-pipelines/wcm/19be7d65-e124-4bf0-a63f-03a3bd824f41>

4. STEEL INDUSTRY SAYS "HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS" OF CANADIANS JOBS LOST WITH OTTAWA'S LNG EXEMPTIONS

<https://www.jwnenergy.com/article/2019/8/steel-industry-says-hundreds->

tnousands-canadian-jobs-lost-ottawas-ing-exemptions/

5. LILLEY: REMEMBER WHAT "JIHADI JACK" HAS SAID - AND BELIEVE HIM

<https://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/lilley-jihadi-jack-in-his-own-words>

ACTION ALBERTA - WHO WE ARE

We are a group of deeply concerned, unpaid Alberta resident volunteers. Our work is intended to educate, inform and motivate all Canadians to be visible and vocal regarding the unequal, unfair and discriminatory treatment of Alberta by our Federal Government. Alberta's energy sector is the most important driver of the Canadian economy and its health directly impacts the standard of living of every Canadian. Unfortunately, that is not happening under our current Federal government!

Please **share** this email with your contacts so we can turn this unfair, inequitable, unjustifiable travesty around for the good of all Canadians. If you would like to submit information or articles, please send them to me.

Thank you for ALL of your support and interest!

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