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HELLO ALL (The Group of now 10,000+ and growing):

**AN OPEN LETTER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA**

Albertans now realize how **unfair Alberta has been treated** in Confederation by both the Federal Government and many other provinces over many years. **Western alienation** is being talked about in **every coffee shop** in our province and **various groups are forming to push separation forward**. To manage this process, **the Alberta Government must be at the front of the parade (as it has done with solid budget cuts), not following somewhere in the back. It must lead to strengthen Alberta's position in Confederation!**

On Saturday November 9, 2019, **Premier Kenney** gave a speech in Red Deer and set out the Alberta government's plans going forward. It sounded great until the point when **he stated that independence for Alberta made no sense**.

**When he said that, you could hear a giant sigh of relief from the Liberal Government in Ottawa. The Alberta Government had just taken its most powerful bargaining chip OFF the table.**

Alberta's immediate future must include an answer to the question: **"What is best for the people of Alberta?"** Alberta must take its **future into its own hands**, rather than **continuing to subjugate it to the rest of Canada**.

**ACTION ALBERTA** recommends that by the end of **February 2020** the Province of Alberta **deliver to the Government of Canada a set of demands** to be met by the end of **December 2021**, failing which the Government of Alberta will hold a **referendum** by May 2022 to establish Alberta as an **independent nation**. The **extensive reconfiguration of governance** that is required **cannot drag on indefinitely**. It must be moved forward as **a priority on an aggressive timetable** by all governments that will be involved.

The **action plan demands** of the Federal Government for implementation over the next two years should include the following:

- 1. Remove Equalization from the Canadian Constitution.**
- 2. Establish the Alberta Pension Plan and withdraw from the Canada Pension Plan.**
- 3. Collect personal income taxes in Alberta.**

4. **Replace the RCMP with Alberta Provincial Police.**
5. **Establish Alberta's own Immigration Protocol, similar to the Canada-Quebec accord.**
6. **Reform the Senate of Canada to give Alberta fair representation.**
7. **Establish a trans-Canada infrastructure corridor.**
8. **Establish free interprovincial trade.**
9. **Reform the House of Commons to accurately reflect representation by population.**

Recognizing the possibility that any or all of **these demands may not be met** during the two-year implementation period, a **Parallel Plan to prepare for the Alberta Independence Option** must be developed as well.

To facilitate the possibility of an **Alberta Independence Referendum in early 2022**, we recommend (with input from John Feldsted of Winnipeg) that the **Alberta Government form six working committees** as soon as possible to flesh out detailed considerations for the key major sectors of an independent Alberta.

**The following six committees must be formed and operating by the end of February 2020:**

1. **Constitution Committee** - The links to the British Crown and ability to maintain membership in the Commonwealth are important when it comes to world recognition, immigration and trade;
2. **Legal Affairs Committee** - Utilize the Common Law system;
3. **Indigenous Affairs Committee** - It is essential that the indigenous community be an integral member of and party to Alberta Independence;
4. **Federal Affairs Committee** - Western Canada has dozens of federal installations including many military bases. Some are integral to Canada's NORAD and NATO commitments. Working out a rational means of ensuring the

security of North America must be accomplished;

**5. Provincial Liaison Committee** - We must reach out to like-minded people in British Columbia, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, invite them to send delegates to events and to participate on committees;

**6. Referendum Committee** - Current legislation on succession referendums was written for Quebec. We need to closely examine the Referendum Act to see how it can be best used to satisfy Alberta's demands.

**In summary, the Confederation of Canada is antiquated, out of date and simply does not work for all Canadians, especially Albertans.** This is not new. What is new is that it is now abundantly clear that **the status quo is no longer acceptable and timely remedial action must be taken.**

The Canada – Alberta situation is akin to an **abusive marriage** where the imbalance of power and related abuse **can no longer be accepted** or tolerated. For decades, **Alberta has been marginalized, discounted, dismissed and betrayed** to the point where there is **no longer any trust** between Albertans and the Federal Government.

It is time for Albertans to tell it like it is, **demand changes to Alberta's position in Confederation** and simultaneously **plan for Alberta Independence** if the demands cannot or will not be met. **THE ALBERTA GOVERNMENT MUST LEAD THE PARADE, NOT FOLLOW IT!**

## **OUR READERS' COMMENTS SECTION**

**1. From a Reader:** I am a big fan of Premier Kenney, except for one huge strategic mistake he keeps repeating. He continues to say that he is a federalist and will never counsel Alberta to play the secession card. In my opinion, the possibility of secession is the most important leverage that Alberta has in renegotiating our broken Confederation. Look at Quebec's history of holding the rest of Canada for ransom by keeping the secession card in play. This week Quebec Premier Legault proudly announced a \$4B surplus and his plan to distribute "Ralph Bucks" to Quebec citizens. Not too tough to run a \$4B surplus when you receive \$13B in Equalization. Meanwhile Alberta runs an \$8-9B deficit and borrows money to continue to honor its obligations to Ottawa while fighting Ottawa, BC, Quebec and others for the very survival of

our most important industry. When Kenney repeatedly says the secession card is off the table you can almost hear the sighs of relief emanating from Ottawa. **The net effect is that Kenney, who otherwise says and does all of the right things, is giving notice to Ottawa that he is bringing a butter knife to the constitutional gunfight.** I cannot for the life of me see how that strategy is in Alberta's best interests. Some have suggested that Kenney's ultimate personal goal is to become PM. While I have no direct evidence of that it is a possibility that cannot be forgotten in the context of his current and ongoing actions.

**2. From a Reader:** Trudeau's legacy continues to grow "kill Canada but save the world!" But this latest blow is enormous – Encana fleeing Canada!! For those un-Canadians who voted for Trudeau, Liberal, NDP, the Bloc, or Green – they are complicit in the damage being done in Canada. This is now war and they are the enemy. And, because they are supposedly Canadian yet an enemy of Canada, they are guilty of treason! What happened to these people? And, interestingly enough, the majority of these people live in Eastern Canada! The divide expands!!! Remember, four years of damage were inflicted upon Alberta (and Canada) by Rachel Notley (NDP) and Justin Trudeau (Liberal). No one can repair the damage in six months! If, by this time next year, we don't see major progress with the TransMountain pipeline, I'll be giving strong consideration to the separation movement. And, if Trudeau, Singh, May, and Blanchet kill TransMountain, I'll join the Alberta separatists immediately. Why? Because our great country called Canada will be gone! Keep fighting, folks! In light of Encana's decision, this has become a war. Fight with every fibre of your being against this insane course of "Save the Planet" and "Kill Canada's Oil/Gas Industry"! The future of Canada is counting on us!!

**3. From a Reader:** Has Action Alberta expanded into SK and MB.? How about central and northern BC? Western Canada needs to unite. The federal government set the borders of the provinces to divide them, to keep them politically weak and under federal thumb.

**4. From a Reader:** I believe a good first step is to send a letter to our MLA's demanding immediate action. I wrote my MLA. The other thing is there is a hard core number of Albertan's that would approve a separation move immediately (I am one of those) but I don't believe it is enough to get us over the finish line. This argument has to be made strategically by laying out a strong economic argument making everyone aware of the discrepancies. The federalists will only help our cause because they don't get it. I want to see this

succeed, so lets make 100% certain we can get across the finish line, otherwise economically we will always be at the whim of the East.

**5. From a Reader:** The mainstream media have been saying for years the we in Alberta must diversify our economy. I think we have a golden opportunity to do this today by separating. Just think of all the new jobs... we will need tax collectors, police, armed services and many, many more! Do not take this as something onerous, we are paying for all these people today. It is just that at the moment the majority of them reside in Ontario and Quebec. These will be our very own Alberta based citizens.

**6. From a Reader:** We need Jason to get off the pot and stand up to that fool in Ottawa, mangy puppy. This waffling is not acceptable in Alberta, We need strong leaderSHIP, not a CASPER MILQTOAST. IS JASON AFRAID OF BURNING HIS BRIDGES IN OTTAWA. Just what exactly did we elect in hopes of STRONG GOVERNMENT??????

**7. From a Reader:** Dumbfounded that the Alberta budget did not include removing Alberta from CPP as tax break for Albertans and the businesses that employ them as well as sending a message to Canada. A grievance panel touring Alberta and an equalization referendum in fall 2021 seems the timid pace of a man, Premier Kenney, who is keeping one toe in the water of a hopeful Prime Minister.

**8. From a Reader:** When Alberta is part of a new independent Western Canadian country, there many things we will not have to pay for. Two that stand out for me are: (a) No more payments to the sanctimonious fake news people at CBC who constantly describe the country as a place I have never been and do not want to go. Not another nickel; and (b) No more payments to Quebec with its puffed up popinjay premier who denigrates Alberta's "dirty oil" while pumping millions of litres of raw sewage into the St. Lawrence. Not another nickel.

## **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. KENNEY REJECTS INDEPENDENCE, APPOINTS PANEL TO EXPLORE MORE PROVINCIAL POWERS [Click here](#)**

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**2. QUEBEC PRESENTS \$4 BILLION SURPLUS FOR 2019-20 AMID BOOMING ECONOMY [Click here](#)**

**3. PRESTON MANNING: SECESSION NEEDS TO BE A PART OF THE STRATEGY [Click here](#)**

**4. BEHIND THE SCENES, OTHER OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES ARE LAUGHING AT CANADA [Click here](#)**

**5. TERENCE CORCORAN: THE WEST DOESN'T NEED QUEBEC TO GET ITS OIL FLOWING EAST - THERE IS ANOTHER WAY [Click here](#)**

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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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