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HOW ALBERTA PAYS QUEBEC'S BILLS: FOUR CHARTS THAT SHOW

## **ALBERTA PICKS UP THE TAB!**

We (at **Action Alberta**) just attended a **great weekend conference in Red Deer** hosted by the **Economic Education Association of Alberta**. This year's topic was **Alberta separation/independence** with both sides very well represented. There were **20 excellent speakers** and the conference was a **huge success**. [Click here](#)

While we were there, the following article by **Diane Francis** was released in the **National Post**. **This article says it all!!** The nearly **\$240 Billions that Albertans have paid** out as part of net federal fiscal transfers ("**equalization**") during the **past eleven years** is more than **one-and-a-half times as much as B.C. and Ontario have contributed combined**. [Click here](#)

In this article and you will see **four charts** which amply explain why Albertans are so "pissed" and why **separation/independence is the big topic of conversation all over Alberta! THIS IS REAL!**

Of all of the information discussed this weekend in Red Deer, a **key point** that was **repeated over and over again** was that **the Alberta government MUST NOT take the separation/independence card off the table when it approaches the federal government and the other provinces** to try to renegotiate the terms of our **broken confederation. FULL STOP - PERIOD!**

Having said this, we have added **more Readers' Comments** due to the **great number of responses** that we received to our last newsletter **#80 - AN OPEN LETTER TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA**.

## **OUR READERS' COMMENTS SECTION**

**1. From a Reader:** I believe Jason Kenney's strategy of taking secession off the table is badly flawed. On page 63 of *The Art of War* by Sun Tzu he states that he: "... did not conceive the object of military action to be the annihilation of the enemy's army, the destruction of his cities, and the wastage of his countryside. Weapons are ominous tools to be used only when there is no alternative." I have carefully reviewed Sun Tzu's thoughts on strategic warfare and I find no reference to him saying: "Remember to leave your most powerful weapon at home and send a courier to the opposing general to apprise him of that fact."

that fact.

**2. From a Reader:** The work you do should be an inspiration for all of us and I personally thank you for your hard work and dedication to the cause. Unfortunately many of our landlocked population are not getting the picture. We landlocked people are in prison under the Trudeau government and our cells are getting smaller. While Trudeau's resume comes as a school teacher and snowboard instructor as his finest points we in Alberta and Saskatchewan are losing highly decorated CEO's and complete oil companies. Alberta and Saskatchewan have some of the smartest people on the globe running businesses and companies while Trudeau does not have the smarts to run a Lemon-aid Stand. Plus he must stand trial for all of his scandals, corruption and his obstruction of justice charges. The time to end this dog and pony show has come and possibly too late. Between the Wexit provinces we have humongous amounts of fresh water, forestry, agriculture, the Rocky Mountains, tourism and yes the Dirty 'O' word. We have the ability to refill all those empty office building in our big cities, put people back to work and get those greedy easterners out of our hair for good. Now I don't want to bring Mr. DJT's name into the picture but we need a shrewd business man such as the Donald to take the Wexit provinces and areas by the horns and make a commanding and direct quick firm hold of this mess. This would have a head spinning reaction to the other charitable provinces that hang on to us for the handouts only. I think that we all have to be honest with ourselves on the past election and Sheer didn't stand a chance. As a matter of fact I don't know how Sheer stands at all as he had and has the backbone of a jellyfish. That same shingle will be hung above Jason Kenny's door very soon. The people should remind Mr. Kenny of just who put him in the cushy leather chair. And if he does not pick up his feet and damn quickly, show him the road to eastern canada. I personally have filled in all the paperwork to divorce myself from this mess. I've been and Albertan through and through for 60 plus years. The only thing that makes me a canadian is my passport and I would burn it in a heart beat if the Wexit were to succeed in a vote. My personal divorce date is Dec 31st/2020. I'm more than sure that I'm not the only one. With my divorce papers filled out I'll bide my time and see if there is another Donald to step up to the plate to end this BS.

Thank You again Action Alberta.

**3. From a Reader** Is Alberta better as a Country or Colony of Quebec?

Provincial Government dallying cannot be tolerated now. Governments are saturated with Politicians who have no Bigger Picture Vision past their ridings

saturated with Politicians who have no bigger picture vision past their hungers and re-election. Alberta is one of the few Provinces where True Canadian Values are evident and in play in our lives. Visionaries here must keep Kenney Government focused on decisive quick action to rid us of the Parasitic Influence of Quebec in our lives and futures. If Alberta Government is slow to act on Referendums, then We, The People, must act and fast ! When the Pain of Not Changing becomes too great, then change will come. Here we are. Let's get Alberta free and clear!

**4. From a Reader** Thank you for putting together a well informed letter. The messages from the readers gives a good overview of some of the current sentiment. One point that is rarely mentioned is that a large proportion of the income earned in Quebec is under the table and therefor not reported in income tax. What bearing does that have on the equalization formula and payments? Because Hydro Quebec is a crown corporation, it is not treated the same as private corporations in the equalization formula. Quebec has out manoeuvred us because they know the art of finesse and Albertans have not discovered that skill yet. We repeatedly elect prime ministers from Quebec and in return those PMs understand that they must reward them to earn their vote in the next election.

**5. From a Reader:** As an employee of an oil drilling company, I have watched as our shop was gutted in 2014 at the start of the down turn. I was very fortunate to be one of the lucky few to retain my job and even through the worst of the last 5 years the company I work for didn't cut back on our hours or on call pay. From what I have observed we are indeed fortunate in that regard as many other companies put their employees on starvation hours with no on call pay what so ever. I firmly believe we need to look at separation here in the west as that is likely the only way the east will start to listen, and if it comes to it, to move forward toward separation if needs be. That being said I don't look forward to a divided Canada, I believe we are stronger together but it seems the east just treats us like a ATM machine with little regard to the economic realities that we are experiencing. If we separated and found ourselves land locked I don't see how much would change. We still would be shipping the majority of our oil south of the 49th, the one major difference would be no more federal taxes. The tax and spend junkies in Ottawa need to wake up and make MEANINGFUL changes so we can get back on our feet and dig ourselves out of the mess they have gotten us into. Indeed all levels of government need to wake up and get our financial houses in order.

**6. From a Reader:** Quebec is full steam ahead, in the driver's seat, dictating to Ottawa what they want. Kenny states that he does not want to play his tough cards, take it slow. Kenny, that attitude will keep you in the back seat. Take a lesson from the Quebec playbook. Tell Ottawa NOW what Alberta wants, and if the answer is no? Immediate referendum. Don't wait 2 years. If you do, I will vote to separate. Sorry.

**7. From a Reader:** My question is why bother about trying to convince Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes. The current state of Confederation did not happen by accident. They are quite happy to take our money and treat us as second class citizens. Rather than waste time and effort trying to persuade them that our cause is just, let's simply gather the like-minded regions and leave. No big blowup just a straightforward action to establish a new country with like minded citizens. Two Canadas - theirs and ours. Break it down step by step. There is nothing insurmountable stopping us. All the scare tactics - e.g. what about CPP or the biggy - you might need a passport to go to Kelowna, are just fake news. Don't waste my time or anyone's effort trying to change them. Just leave!

**8. From a Reader:** If you believe that Canada is treating Alberta badly now, I suggest that you brace yourselves for further angst; Ontario Premier Rob Ford has tabled Bill 135 which, effectively, surrenders Ontario to Quebec. Although yielding to the francophones was not part of his election campaign, Ford subsequently changed his mind. We have, in Ottawa, a small cadre of individuals who have been fighting diligently to stem the growth of Quebecois influence in Ontario, and we can but hope that, somewhere along the way, Ontarians will see the light.

**9. From a Reader:** Conferences, talk shows and editorials/articles in national publications have been generally repeating the same talk on the grievances of the Prairie Provinces in Confederation, but nothing will change until this approach is changed. Ottawa has failed in its leadership of this country. The governance model of the 1867 BNA Act does not fit any longer. Canada needs a new constitution now. The power must shift from Ottawa to the provinces/regions. Ottawa has limited powers, e.g., defence, national currency, criminal code. All taxing powers are transferred to the provinces who fund Ottawa on a per capita arrangement. No more federal welfare to the favorites of the feds. The topic of these get-togethers should be on a new Confederation and how we get our leadership to initiate this

on a new Confederation and now we get our leadership to initiate this constitutional process. If our politicians fail to lead, then the people must get organized and lead this long overdue process. The country is ready for this kind of attention.

**10. From a Reader:** I would agree that Kenney gave up bargaining leverage by saying that secession is off the table. He could, instead, have said something like the people of Alberta will have demands for a fair deal and if they are not met, I don't know if I will be able to hold off demands for secession. ... Your timetable is far too generous. With the ongoing destruction of the Alberta economy and the social costs, do you really believe that we can wait three years (and longer given the challenges expected to Albertans voting to separate)? This doesn't strike me as an "aggressive timetable", but rather a timetable of a slow, painful death for Alberta.

**11. From a Reader:** Bloc Quebecois Leader Blanchet may have delivered the ultimate blow that will dissolve Canada. As long as Trudeau (Butts) and Blanchet have formed this "alliance", Western Canada is doomed. Trudeau will have his agenda supported for the next four years! God help Canada!!

## **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. REX MURPHY: THIS IS NOT A STANDARD DOWNTURN. AND ALBERTANS ARE NOT WHINING** [Click here](#)

**2. 'MORE OF THE SAME': SCOTT MOE LEAVES DISAPPOINTED AFTER MEETING WITH JUSTIN TRUDEAU** [Click here](#)

**3. REALITIES ON THE GROUND: WHY ALBERTANS ARE ANGRY** [Click here](#)

**4. JOE OLIVER: BUILDING PIPELINES WILL COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENRICH THE ECONOMY** [Click here](#)

**5. AS WESTERN TENSIONS RISE, BQ'S BLANCHET SAYS WEST SHOULDN'T LOOK TO HIM FOR HELP** [Click here](#)

## **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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