HELLO ALL (The Group of now 10,000+ and growing):
ALBERTA, SASKATCHEWAN LANDLOCKED AND ABANDONED
(By Marco Navarro-Génie)

Blocking Prairie oil is not about the environment. And neither is it about safety. It’s all about politics and control.

In mocking response to those wishing to separate, some quip that Alberta would remain landlocked the day after it becomes independent. With a more respectful tone, Alberta’s premier used similar words in his recent “fair deal for Alberta” speech.

Those endorsing and those opposing Alberta’s separation from Canada would benefit from a clear statement of the problem to which separation presents as a solution.

**Alberta and Saskatchewan are the only landlocked provinces in the country.** Being landlocked means that a territory doesn’t have direct access to ocean waters.

But it’s not an unsolvable problem. One can obtain territorial corridors to access oceans. Or one can secure passage through neighbouring territory for exportable goods by building highways and railways, airways and waterways, transmission lines and pipelines.

**Alberta’s and Saskatchewan’s geographic problem needs to be distinguished from the political problem of having lawfully exportable goods blocked by other provinces from reaching tidal waters.**

Obstructing Alberta’s and Saskatchewan’s oil from reaching far-away markets builds walls against solutions to the geographic problem. Those walls are existential threats.

So the issue isn’t that Alberta and Saskatchewan are landlocked. Many territories in the world are landlocked but are prosperous because they don’t have obstructing neighbours.

For all the inequity and unfairness in policy that Alberta and Saskatchewan have been subjected to since they were carved out of the Northwest Territories and became provinces in 1905, being landlocked hasn’t been the principal
and became provinces in 1905, being landlocked hasn’t been the principal problem.

The eco-green doom fuelling the blockage is an excuse. The alarmist doom is the means by which Laurentians seek to strangle Alberta’s economy.

While a federal tanker ban shuts out Prairie oil from British Columbia’s north coast, oil tankers filled with foreign oil enter the Bay of Fundy in the Atlantic and up the St. Lawrence River. There, with flow and tide, even a small spill could spoil thousands of kilometres of unique ecosystems along sensitive shores, parks and natural reserves.

Similarly, there’s no campaign (nor should there be) to stop the oil flowing out of Newfoundland and Labrador, and Nova Scotia. No prime minister has ever visited those provinces to announce his/her desire that they keep their oil well beneath the ocean.

Blocking Prairie oil is not about the environment. And neither is it about safety. With all their risks, pipelines remain the safest mode of transport for oil, given the alternatives of trucks and trains. The people of Lac-Mégantic, Que., understand this very well.

Blocking our oil goes beyond the faction currently running the federal government. Ottawa represents the dominant population of the country who have declared war on our principle resources under the ecological banner. That’s not likely to change. THE WAR AGAINST PRAIRIE OIL IS 100% POLITICAL.

If you think I’m taking too much licence when I suggest that Laurentian Canadians mean to subjugate the West, let us be reminded of sentiments Justin Trudeau expressed in a radio interview in Quebec before he became prime minister, before he became better schooled in the political art of concealing what he means. He said that the country can best be run by federal Liberals from Quebec. He said Canada’s troubles at the time were because Albertans were running things. Power, therefore, needed to be wrestled away from Albertans.

Despite the words of the prime minister on election night that he wants to
address regional concerns, Saskatchewan’s search for solutions was met with platitudes and climate slogans when its premier recently visited Ottawa.

One can only negotiate with those whose minds and spirits are open to negotiations.

Dismissing and reducing the blockage of Prairie oil to a geographic issue is a misapprehension of the problem. Blocking Alberta’s and Saskatchewan’s oil is a political problem that will require political solutions, and political solutions require co-operation.

For Alberta and Saskatchewan, the future is at stake. Without that openness and co-operation from Ottawa, Quebec and British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan will have to find their own solutions.

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OUR READERS’ COMMENTS SECTION

1. From a Reader: Trudeau is given far too much credit. It is those behind him pulling the strings, like Edgar Bergen and Charlie. He is a just name with a huge ego. Those behind him picked their horse and duped the country..and have nice jobs, well pensioned now. Those were the jobs they spoke about during the campaign. It’s all about getting elected, stupid! When will this country get a leader who has a really good brain, and can think for himself, on his feet, and not answer from a script, or from memory with all the uhs and ums, and do what is good fro the country first and foremost. One whose legacy will not be his hypocrisy. Anonymous

2. From a Reader: Thank you for what you are doing. It is truly a sad travesty that Alberta and Albertans are paying so dearly to remain in this one sided confederation. I joined the Wexit movement after a painful soul search, I spent over 40 years in the oil and gas industry focusing on building the best, safest and most environmentally friendly pipelines across this once proud nation. Now, sadly, I see no alternative but for Alberta, Saskatchewan and Northern B.C. to form a separate union and tell Ottawa and Quebec to just go to hell.

3. From a Reader: Read this and it's Tough Love for all Western Canadians.
From a Reader: Read this and it’s Tough Love for all Western Canadians. Mark Carney is leaving the Bank of England after leaving Canada to now join the UN. He has ALSO kept his home in Ottawa which he and his wife are moving back into while maintaining his position as special Envoy to the UN for Climate. Now the dirt and corruption. Read up about Carney and Goldman Sachs! This where we are in major trouble. Who could be the next Liberal Leader? He himself. Now the Tough Love Approach. We, as strong Albertan's (and Canadians), have been pathetic pussy cat's and passive pathetic individual's and that is why the Oil Producing Countries are kicking us in the nads. Would Texans as corporate or civil citizens stand up to our beatings? NO! We need to be aggressive and not walked over as it’s going to only get worse with Carney returning. FIGHT BACK and say NO to Kenney and all politician's. It’s now to the point the it is up to civil citizens, not corporations, to make a visual stand! I’ve had it with the take it in the balls approach. Typical wimp Canadian’s which I’m NOT one but a semi-proud Canadian. I will back up anyone who has balls to fight back as I am. Screw Kenney and the rest of the Canadian Politicians. We follow like SHEEP! Those days are over folks. We are now facing real major trouble's with Carney coming back.

From a Reader: I am waiting to see what JT and his libs are going to do for the Prairie provinces which has actually come close to fracturing Canada. With the elections and the holidays over, now comes the truth whether this Government is going to improve their relationship towards the now alienated Prairie provinces or is it business as usual that is to keep bashing the now struggling provinces into the ground by undermining their economy drivers, specifically the ENERGY industry, into oblivion all in the name of an Ideology called "CLIMATE CHANGE". So far Alberta's UCP leadership has not shown us, the Alberta residents, how they are going to deal with the crisis we are facing or is it too early. Like me are they anxiously waiting to see what JT has got up his sleeves?!

5. From a Reader: Dr. Jack Mintz, one of Alberta's most respected economists, has said that when you study the 'flight of capital' from Alberta and Canada's energy sector with a view to future governenment revenues, the decrease in revenues are 'breathtaking.' Consequently, if we want to stem the outflow of capital and start the rebuilding of our energy sector and our province, our government must act quickly on a number of fronts. These include getting Canada or at least Alberta out of the Paris Agreement, ending our disproportionate contributions to Equalization, reducing the size and cost of our provincial government and controlling immigration into Alberta.
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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. DOUG FIRBY: THE POPULAR UNDERCURRENTS OF WESTERN SEPARATISM Click here

2. DIANE FRANCIS: CANADA COULD BE AN LNG GIANT - BUT THE LIBERALS SCREWED IT UP Click here

3. REX MURPHY: ABSURDITY KNOWS NO BORDERS. AND WE SURE WENT THERE A LOT THIS YEAR Click here

4. LEAVING CANADA’S OIL IN THE GROUND DOESN’T ONLY HURT THE ECONOMY - IT HURTS THE ENVIRONMENT, TOO!: Click here

5. MARK CARNEY - UN CLIMATE CZAR: WILL CHANGING GLOBAL CURRENCY STOP CLIMATE CHANGE?: 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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