JUSTIN TRUDEAU AND LIBERAL PARTY SUPPORT FOR 'EVIDENCE-BASED' GUN CONTROL LAWS

Announcing his candidacy for the Liberal leadership, Justin Trudeau got a round of applause when he declared that, in seeking solutions to problems, "the only ideology that must guide us is evidence. Hard, scientific facts and data. It may seem revolutionary in today's Ottawa, but instead of inventing the facts to justify policies, we will create policy based on facts." http://dangardner.ca/what-do-you-mean-evidence-based-policy/

NOTE: The e-mails below were received from the Liberal Party of Canada and the office of Justin Trudeau, MP.

Jae Kiun An (Liberal / Assistance) 29 août 2014

Dear Mr. Mark,

Thank you for taking the time to write to us with your concerns regarding gun control. We've been hearing from a number of people on this issue, and we appreciate your feedback as it helps us develop policies that are reflective of Canadians. A Liberal government led by Justin Trudeau would not reinstitute the long-gun registry, however, like yourself we believe in balanced gun control that prioritizes public safety while ensuring that law-abiding firearms owners do not face undue treatment under the law. We will spend the time leading up to the federal election developing evidence-based firearms policy that is based on this approach. Thank you again for sharing your perspective on this issue, and please do not hesitate to write to us again should you have any other questions or concerns in the future. We will be more than happy to help.

Sincerely,

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Jae Kiun An (Liberal / Assistance) Sep 2, 2014

Dear Dennis,

Thank you for taking the time to write and for providing us with the journal articles related to firearms control. As per your message, we certainly agree that policies must be developed from an evidence based approach. To make sound decisions, governments need sound data. As our Mr. Trudeau has stated, "The only ideology that must guide us is evidence - Hard, scientific facts and data. It may seem revolutionary in today's Ottawa, but instead of inventing the facts to justify the policies, we will create policy based on facts. Solutions can come from the left or the right, all that matters is that they work." We appreciate your suggestion on this issue, and be assured that our policy team will engage in heavy research and gather the facts to formulate a balanced firearms control policy.

Thank you again for writing,

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Douglas Vidal-Hernandez (Liberal / Assistance) Sep 2, 2014

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Jae Kiun An (Liberal / Assistance) Sep 3, 2014

Dear Dennis,

Thank you for your reply. Although I am unable to go into greater detail, I can say that the Liberals will not restore the long-gun registry. As mentioned previously we will work at developing evidence-based firearms policy through proper research and consultation with experts.

Thank you again for writing in.

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From: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca
Sent: September 9, 2014 6:47 AM
To: dennisryoung@telus.net

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Subject: RE: Liberal Party Firearms Policy?

Good Morning,

I just wanted to thank you for contacting the office of Justin Trudeau, and for sending in the articles and sources from Dr. Langmann and Prof. Mauser. I want to let you know that I have forwarded your letter to both Justin and our policy people directly.

Sincerely,

K. Dixon

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From: justin.trudeau@parl.gc.ca
Sent: November 3, 2014 6:23 AM
To: dennisryoung@telus.net

Subject: RE: It is about seeking ways to generate policy-based evidence?

Good Morning Mr. Young,

I just wanted to thank you for contacting the office of Justin Trudeau, and let you know that I have forwarded your letter to both Justin and our policy people directly.

Thank you for sending this in, it is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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