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POSTS FROM CANADA

CSSA COMMENTARY: RCMP FAILS TO TRACK VIOLENT OR SEXUAL OFFENDERS - MONITORS LICENSED GUN OWNERS INSTEAD

What do you call the group the RCMP considers a bigger threat to public safety than convicted sex offenders, pedophiles and violent criminals? Canada's 2.1 million licensed firearm owners. While the RCMP investigates every single licenced, law-abiding gun owner in Canada daily as part of their Continuous Licence Eligibility Screening Program, our national police force can't tell us anything about how often, or even if, they check up on convicted rapists, pedophiles or violent criminals. It's not that the RCMP doesn't possess the information. They do. TEAM CSSA E-NEWS | MARCH 10, 2018

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2018/03/10/cssa-commentary-rcmp-fails-track-violent-sexual-offenders/>

CBC - PROVINCE UNVEILS \$10M PLAN TO DEAL WITH RURAL CRIME IN ALBERTA

Of the money announced, \$8 million will be spent to hire 39 new officers and 40 civilian staff, while \$2 million will go to hire up to 10 additional Crown prosecutors, she said. CBC News - Mar 09, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/rcmp-rural-crime-alberta-edmonton-ganley-1.4569786>

BOB ZIMMER ECHOES RALPH GOODALE'S PROPOSAL FOR TIGHTER GUN LAWS

Prince George- Peace River- Northern Rockies MP Bob Zimmer says Canada has strict laws when it comes to obtaining firearms, but it can always be improved. "If somebody is affiliated with a gang, well obviously, they shouldn't be able to obtain a firearm legally. It also begs the next question, if they're getting it illegally how are they getting it and what can be done to shut down those pathways to those possession." By JEFF SLACK, STAFF FRIDAY, MAR. 9TH, 2018

<https://www.myprincegeorgenow.com/69582/bob-zimmer-echoes-ralph-goodales-proposal-for-tighter-gun-laws/>

MP ZIMMER SUPPORTIVE OF PROPOSED INCREASE TO BACKGROUND CHECKS

I support the idea of more vigorous background checks that could include a mental health history and more comprehensive look at the criminal past of the purchaser," said Mr. Zimmer.

By Bob Zimmer, MP - March 8, 2018 - More information: 613-947-4524 <http://www.bobzimmer.ca/contact/>

<http://www.bobzimmer.ca/mp-zimmer-supportive-of-proposed-increase-to-background-checks/>

CBC VIDEO - SUPPORTERS OF RURAL HOMEOWNER ACCUSED OF SHOOTING TRESPASSER WANT LAWS CHANGED

Edouard Maurice facing charges of aggravated assault, pointing a firearm and careless use of a firearm. By Meghan Grant, CBC News Mar 09, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/okotoks-shooting-homeowner-charged-court-rally-1.4568338>

CANADIAN SHOOTING SPORTS ASSOCIATION: 2018 SEMI-AUTOMATIC FIREARM SURVEY

Today, March 9, 2018, Environics released the result of a survey commissioned by Polysesouvient (PolyRemembers), the group founded almost 30 years ago after the tragic Montreal Massacre. The survey claims that 63% of Canadian firearms owners supported a ban on semi-automatic firearms. We think that is complete bull-puckey and we want you to have your say - because we're betting Environics didn't call you. Enjoy the survey, we'll release the results within 48 hours.

Here's the original article: <https://ipolitics.ca/2018/03/09/canadians-support-ban-on-semi-auto-assault-sport-rifles-environics-poll/>

TAKE THIS CSSA SURVEY: DO YOU SUPPORT A BAN ON SEMI-AUTOMATIC FIREARMS?

<http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07ef78mm35jekoy7hs/a024ghjekvz9b6/questions>

POLL SHOWS 81% FAVOUR BAN ON 'SEMI-AUTO ASSAULT WEAPONS'

TheGunBlog.ca — A poll showed 81 percent of Canadians, including 63 percent of gun owners, favour a ban on the private ownership of "semi-automatic assault weapons," the anti-gun group PolySeSouvient said today, seeking to pressure the government as it drafts new firearm laws. The survey was run by Environics Research on March 6-8.

PolySeSouvient said March 2 that it was seeking funds to pay for the survey. thegunblog - 9 March 2018

<https://thegunblog.ca/2018/03/09/poll-shows-81-favour-ban-on-semi-auto-assault-weapons/>

THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST GUN OWNERS IS HEATING UP

Instead of protecting law-abiding citizens, the Trudeau government plans to introduce new restrictions on guns!

By Gary Mauser, Justice for Gun Owners - March 9, 2018

<https://mailchi.mp/dac8d36b64a6/more-gun-restrictions-coming-not-fewer?e=bc1823b8e2>

BRENDA LUCKI NAMED FIRST FEMALE RCMP HEAD AS FORCE STRUGGLES WITH SEXISM,

BULLYING - Lucki's RCMP biography says she is a member of the Order of Merit of the Police Forces in recognition of her work to improve relations with First Nations in northern Manitoba. She has also contributed to United Nations missions in both the former Yugoslavia and in Haiti, and has served as commanding officer of the RCMP training academy at Regina's Depot division since 2016. She was awarded the United National Force Commander's commendation for bravery, two UN protection forces medals and the Canadian peacekeeping service medal. Lucki is the first woman to be named RCMP commissioner on a permanent basis; Beverley Busson was interim leader for six months in 2007. By The Canadian Press - March 9, 2018

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4072950/brenda-locki-rcmp-commissioner-justin-trudeau/>

CBC - FIRE AWAY AND BECOME A PARA BIATHLON INSTANT EXPERT

What you need to know about the multifaceted winter sport. By Benjamin Blum · CBC Sports · March 9, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/sports/paralympics/biathlon/para-biathlon-instant-expert-1.4555838>

CBC - POLICE AGENCIES SET SIGHTS ON PROVINCE-WIDE GUN AMNESTY PROGRAM IN SASK.

Deputy chief says police don't expect criminals to hand over their guns

By Kendall Latimer, CBC News - Mar 08, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatchewan/sask-gun-amnesty-1.4565467>

SCHOOL SHOOTERS: WHAT CAN LAW ENFORCEMENT DO TO STOP THEM?

In Florida there is no "weapons seizure" or "red flag" law authorizing the police to seek a judicial warrant to take weapons away from a person deemed to be a serious threat to self or others.

By James Jacobs, Professor of Criminal Law & Criminal Procedure, New York University - March 8, 2018

<https://theconversation.com/school-shooters-what-can-law-enforcement-do-to-stop-them-92329>

SOURCE OF CRIME GUNS: WHO TO BELIEVE?

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2018/03/09/source-crime-guns-believe/>

STATISTICS CANADA: "We don't know the origin of firearms involved in gun crime in Canada."

Source: Guns and Gang Summit, The Gun Blog <https://twitter.com/TheGunBlog/status/971413383437279232>

RALPH GOODALE: "These days many crime guns come from thefts and diversions of legitimate purchases."

Source: Guns and Gang Summit, The Gun Blog <https://thegunblog.ca/2018/03/07/oops-liberals-show-gang-crime-surg-ing-since-they-took-power/#more-14977>

RCMP INSPECTOR CHRIS MCBRYAN, Officer in Charge of NWest in Western Canada. "It is a fact that the majority of gun related crimes in our communities are committed with guns that are domestically sourced."

Sources: Vancouver Sun <http://vancouver.sun.com/news/local-news/surrey-rcmp-find-500-firearms-with-expired-registrations> and Calibre Magazine <https://calibremag.ca/bulk-of-crime-guns-domestically-sourced-false/>

FEDS NEED TO CRACK DOWN ON HANDGUN SALES, JOHN TORY TELLS GUNS AND GANGS SUMMIT

Tory told an unprecedented national summit on guns and gangs in Ottawa that Toronto Police Services data are showing the Canadian share of stolen handguns involved in crime and homicide has climbed to equal the number of crime guns that have entered Canada illegally from the U.S. By Tim Naumetz. Published on Mar 7, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/03/07/feds-need-crack-handgun-sales-john-tory-tells-guns-gangs-summit/>

OOPS: LIBERALS SHOW GANG CRIME SURGING SINCE THEY TOOK POWER

Ralph Goodale: There has been a rise in gang violence across Canada, with homicides up more than two-thirds in recent years. #GunsandGangs 7:03 AM - Mar 7, 2018 thegunblog - 7 March 2018

<https://thegunblog.ca/2018/03/07/oops-liberals-show-gang-crime-surg-ing-since-they-took-power/#more-14977>

GOODALE VOWS TO TOUGHEN CANADA'S GUN-LICENCE SCREENING

Public Safety Minister Ralph Goodale capped off a summit on growing gang activity and gun violence by promising more vigorous background checks to get a licence to purchase firearms in Canada. Among the measures that are expected to be included in a new law will be a longer look into the buyer's criminal history, which goes back only five years under the current system. In addition, if Ottawa gets buy-in from provincial governments, the background checks could include an examination of the purchaser's mental-health history. By DANIEL LEBLANC, OTTAWA - March 7, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/politics/public-safety-minister-vows-to-toughen-gun-licence-screening-in-canada/article38246723/>

THE GUN BLOG - WE "DON'T KNOW THE ORIGIN OF FIREARMS INVOLVED IN GUN CRIME IN CANADA," STATSCAN SAYS.

So ... why are police feeding the media stories about rise in "domestically sourced crime guns"? <https://twitter.com/TheGunBlog/status/971413383437279232> - March 7, 2018

ZIMMER SHOULD PULL HIS HEAD OUT OF HIS (RIFLE)BUTT

MP, Bob Zimmer presented a 25,000-signature petition to Parliament two years ago to remove the AR-15 from its restricted status. The Conservatives overruled the RCMP as they attempted to ban some military assault weapons. I think the RCMP have superior knowledge on this topic than the Conservatives and Zimmer.

By Kathi TRAVERS / Prince George Citizen - MARCH 7, 2018

<http://www.princegeorgecitizen.com/opinion/columnists/zimmer-should-pull-his-head-out-of-his-rifle-butt-1.23195057>

TORY: TIME TO STOP CRIMINALS FROM GETTING GUNS

Those who obey the law have nothing to fear. This is about tightening and toughening our laws so we prevent loopholes that can be exploited by criminals. By John Tory, Mayor of Toronto, Special to Toronto Sun - March 7, 2018

<http://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/time-to-stop-criminals-from-getting-guns-mayor-john-tory>

LIBERALS MAY BEEF UP SCREENING OF GUN OWNERS, INTERNAL MEMO SUGGESTS

The federal memo, released under the Access to Information Act, indicates the government could go further, beefing up screening of those who already have guns "by allowing authorities to reassess licence eligibility in a more timely fashion."

By Jim Bronskill, Canadian Press - 03/07/2018

http://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/03/07/liberals-guns-firearms-trudeau-goodale_a_23379718/

THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT WANTS STRICTER GUN CONTROL

The government wants enhanced background checks to weed out potentially problematic gun owners.

By Manisha Krishnan - Mar 7 2018

https://www.vice.com/en_ca/article/ywq9ak/the-canadian-government-wants-stricter-gun-control

RALPH GOODALE ON TWITTER

Smuggling of firearms into Canada remains a problem. In 2017, there were 607 seizures of 666 firearms, plus 2943 parts and ammunition. #GunsandGangs <https://twitter.com/RalphGoodale/status/971458557106298880>

ANTI-GUN LAW OUTLOOK: TODAY'S GUN & GANG SUMMIT, AND BEYOND

TheGunBlog.ca — The Canadian government is getting ready to propose the first anti-gun laws since the punitive Firearms Act of 1995. Here's what to expect from today's gun and gang conference in Ottawa, and beyond. 7 March 2018

<https://thegunblog.ca/2018/03/07/anti-gun-law-outlook-todays-gun-gang-summit-and-beyond/#more-14939>

LIBERAL'S GUN CONTROL REGIME STILL MISSING THE REAL TARGET!

Laws control law-abiding gun owners but those too dangerous to own firearms, not so much.

By Dennis R. Young – March 6, 2017

<http://dennisryoung.ca/2017/03/10/liberals-gun-control-regime-still-missing-the-real-target/>

CANADA FREE PRESS: WHAT DO THE LIBERAL'S MEAN WHEN THEY SAY EVIDENCE-BASED' GUN CONTROL POLICIES?

Canada's Gun Control Regime (C-17 & C-68) Implemented 'Despite the Absence of Precise Data'

By Dennis R. Young - Bio and Archives - May 25, 2017

<http://canadafreepress.com/article/what-do-the-liberals-mean-when-they-say-evidence-based-gun-control-policies>

FEBRUARY 1, 2018: WEAKNESS OF FIREARMS PROGRAM AUDITS ADMITTED: AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE - E-MAIL FEBRUARY 1, 2018: "We did not examine the efficiency and performance of the Program."

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2018/02/02/weakness-firearms-program-audits-admitted-auditor-generals-office/>

NOVEMBER 24, 2017 - VALUE-FOR-MONEY AUDIT OF CANADA'S FIREARMS PROGRAMS?

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2017/11/24/value-money-audit-canadas-firearms-programs/>

MARCH 26, 2017: AUDITOR GENERAL ASKED AGAIN TO AUDIT LIBERAL'S C-68 GUN CONTROL REGIME

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2017/03/27/auditor-general-asked-again-to-audit-liberals-c-68-gun-control-regime/>

JANUARY 27, 2017: AUDITOR GENERAL RESPONSE: REQUEST AUDIT OF COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF GUN CONTROL REGIMES

<https://dennisryoung.ca/2017/02/04/auditor-general-response-request-audit-of-cost-effectiveness-of-gun-control-regimes/>

OCTOBER 3, 2015 - AUDITOR GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON FIREARMS INTEREST POLICE

'DATABASE' <https://dennisryoung.ca/2015/10/04/auditor-generals-recommendations-on-firearms-interest-police-database/>

CBC - HOW AMERICA'S GUN LAWS COMPARE TO CANADA'S

Walter Boeswald, assistant manager at Ramakko's Source for Adventure says to purchase an AR-15 in Canada, you first must obtain a possession and acquisition licence as well as a restricted firearms licence. Once you have that documentation, you can go to a store and purchase a restricted firearm. "But you don't get to leave with your gun right away," he explained. It's a totally different market and culture in Canada. "Unlike the U.S. ... we do have a bit of waiting period. It can be anywhere up to two weeks. So basically what we do is we send out paperwork or an application on your behalf and basically it requires approval from the CFO, the Chief Firearms Office of Ontario." CBC News - Mar 07, 2018
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/sudbury/ar15-canada-vs-us-1.4564601>

CBC - SPIKE IN GUN AND GANG VIOLENCE IN CANADA HAS EXPERTS WORRIED

Ottawa summit on guns and gangs sets out to find solutions By Idil Mussa, CBC News - Mar 07, 2018
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/spike-in-gun-and-gang-violence-in-canada-has-experts-worried-1.4564643>

RIGHT TO DEFEND PROPERTY?

Mike Walkers, who has a ranch south of Biggar, said he has had two quads stolen in recent years. Walkers said he wouldn't bother calling the RCMP because it takes them too long to respond. He asked Sgt. Colin Sawrenko, the commander of the Biggar detachment, urged anyone in Walkers' situation to call the RCMP instead of taking matters into their own hands, as police officers are trained to deal with those high-stress situations. Walkers said he wasn't satisfied with the answers. "Between the time that the crime occurs and the time that the cops get there, well, the criminals are long gone," Walkers said. The Canadian Press - Mar 6, 2018
<https://www.castanet.net/news/Canada/220385/Right-to-defend-property>

TORONTO SUN - MORE GUN LAWS ALONE WON'T PRODUCE A MORE CIVILIZED SOCIETY

Thus, if guns haven't changed, then it must be that people have changed. Calling for more gun restrictions, gun-free zones and other measures have been for naught. Problems of murder, mayhem and other forms of anti-social behaviour will continue until we regain our moral footing. By Walter E. Williams, Special to Postmedia Network - March 6, 2018
<http://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/guest-column-more-gun-laws-alone-wont-produce-a-more-civilized-society>

6 MACHINE GUNS STOLEN FROM EDMONTON STORE, NONE ABLE TO FIRE BULLETS

Edmonton police are searching for suspects after six deactivated machine guns were stolen from a local army surplus and hunting gear store. CTVNews.ca Staff - March 6, 2018
<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/6-machine-guns-stolen-from-edmonton-store-none-able-to-fire-bullets-1.3830895>

CBC - CANADA REVENUE AGENCY SLAMMED FOR 'REPREHENSIBLE AND MALICIOUS' PROSECUTION OF B.C. COUPLE

Canada Revenue Agency must pay nearly \$1.7 million for suppressing evidence in tax evasion case. Judge Punnett said the case suggested "an unfortunate culture within the CRA." By Jason Proctor, CBC News Mar 06, 2018
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/cra-tax-prosecution-malicious-injustice-1.4563235?cmp=news-digests-canada-and-world-morning>

TRUDEAU'S OPPORTUNITY TO WELCOME ISLAMIC TERRORIST BACK TO CANADA

The person who constitutes the major problem for Canada is Prime Minister Justin Trudeau. The Liberals revoked a Harper-era law that would have allowed the government to strip dual citizens of their Canadian citizenship and deported them for terrorist activity. So El-Bahnasaway will be allowed to remain in Canada once he finishes his sentence. In the

words of the government “A Canadian is a Canadian is a Canadian.” Trudeau refers to people like El-Bahnasaway not as terrorists but as “returning foreign terrorist travellers.” So cutesy. Not only does Trudeau think these terrorists can be rehabilitated but he thinks their return to Canadian soil is a positive. By Arthur Weinreb, Canada Free Press - March 6, 2018 https://canadafreepress.com/print_friendly/trudeaus-opportunity-to-welcome-islamic-terrorist-back-to-canada

CSSA COMMENTARY: OTTAWA'S NATIONAL SUMMIT ON GUNS, GANGS AND DRUGS

The problem we face is this — Ottawa and police forces across the nation continue to peddle the lie “the majority” of guns used in crime are “domestically sourced.” RCMP and other government agencies are stonewalling Dennis Young’s efforts to uncover the source of this “domestically sourced” rumour. However, responses to a string of Access to Information (ATI) requests filed by Mr. Young prove the opposite. TEAM CSSA E-NEWS | MARCH 5, 2018 <https://cssa-cila.org/2018/03/team-cssa-e-news-march-5-2018/>

GROUP AIMS TO BAN SEMI-AUTO RIFLES, RAISES \$2,185 FROM 14 DONORS

PolySeSouvient has raised \$2,185 in two days from 14 donors in a GoFundMe.com campaign to help ban many popular semi-automatic rifles in Canada. The donations ranged from \$5 to \$500 as of 2:30 p.m. Toronto time today, according to the website for the campaign signed by Heidi Rathjen, a co-founder of the Coalition for Gun Control. The group aims to receive \$4,000 to pay for a survey to promote the prohibition of what PolySeSouvient called “assault weapons” used by mass murderers. Thegunblog - 5 March 2018

<https://thegunblog.ca/2018/03/05/group-aims-ban-semi-auto-rifles-raises-2185-14-donors/>

THE HILL TIMES - BOUSHIE’S UNCLE SLAMS SASKATCHEWAN MPS WHO WON’T SPEAK UP: ‘THEY FIGURE THIS IS JUST GOING TO GO AWAY’

Alvin Baptiste warns that 'violence could erupt' if local political leaders don't do more to relieve the tension between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in his community. By PETER MAZEREEUW - MAR. 5, 2018

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2018/03/05/boushie-uncle-slams-saskatchewan-mps-figure-just-going-go-away/136192>

SASKATCHEWAN RCMP TO HOLD TOWN HALL MEETINGS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES

The issue of property crime is likely to dominate many of the meetings. Worry about theft and vandalism has flared up in Saskatchewan, and led to new government and RCMP initiatives.

By Alex MacPherson, Saskatoon StarPhoenix - March 5, 2018

<http://leaderpost.com/news/local-news/saskatchewan-rcmp-to-hold-town-hall-meetings-in-rural-communities/wcm/ff82ca7a-6b05-4014-bd83-be81ff9d4600>

RURAL CRIME FEARS VOICED AT OPEN HOUSE

EXCERPT #1: Groeneveld said her 6 ft. 2 in. son walked the culprits out with the gun. She and her husband were away but contacted 911 operators. Three of their vehicles were stolen. She said High River RCMP officers phoned 25 minutes later, suggesting there was dispatch confusion and the first plea for help had gone to Okotoks and later sent back to High River.

EXCERPT #2: Chris Linnington, vice-president of the Foothills Rural Crime Watch Association (FRCWA), said he has phoned RCMP about suspicious people/vehicles many times and waited 20 minutes before an answer. He said call centre problems must be solved, because he's had to hang up on the police.

EXCERPT #3: In an earlier interview, Robin Alexander, High River RCMP staff sergeant, spoke on rural crime, noting that property crimes are up 16 per cent in rural Alberta over five years. NOTE: Those are just the property crimes that have been reported!

EXCERPT #4: Delilah Miller, deputy reeve for Foothills County, said some residents have been victimized multiple times and are now unable to get insurance. "We need to rally our insurance companies and say, 'help these people out, it's not their fault they've been robbed,'" she said. By Kevin Rushworth, High River Times - Sunday, March 4, 2018
<http://www.highrivertimes.com/2018/03/04/rural-crime-fears-voiced-at-open-house>

MANDATORY-MINIMUM SENTENCING RULES UNRAVELLING INTO PATCHWORK

Instead, they are setting aside these obligatory sentences for specified crimes, describing them as a form of "cruel and unusual punishment" prohibited by the Constitution. That has left the judges free in some instances to use house arrest as an alternative to jail. Only higher-level courts, such as superior courts of provinces and the Supreme Court of Canada, may strike a law down. Such courts have done so on more than 25 occasions involving more than a dozen different minimum sentences. BY SEAN FINE, JUSTICE WRITER - MARCH 4, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/national/mandatory-minimum-sentencing-rules-unravelling-into-patchwork/article38205652/>

CALGARY SUN LETTER: WE'RE PROTECTED

Stats Canada reports we had 172 murders involving a firearm in 2012. And while not trying to minimize the tragedy of each one of these, we also had close to 4,000 fatalities related to opioid/fentanyl misuse in 2017. In an era of scarce resources, what should our governments concentrate on? By Mark Stead, Calgary Sun - March 4, 2018

Editor's Comment (Canada does not have a gun problem.)

<http://calgarysun.com/opinion/letters/letters-to-the-editor-march-4>

TORONTO STAR - THE POLITICS OF GUNS — A CROSS BORDER ISSUE

Next week, Ralph Goodale, the Minister of Public Safety, will convene an unprecedented summit on gun violence in Canada. It is likely not a moment too soon. By PENNY COLLENETTE, Columnist - Sun., March 4, 2018 - Penny Collette is an adjunct professor of law at the University of Ottawa and was a senior director of the Prime Minister's Office for Jean Chrétien. <https://www.thestar.com/opinion/star-columnists/2018/03/04/the-politics-of-guns-a-cross-border-issue.html>

GUNTER: SELF-DEFENCE IS A RIGHT, ESPECIALLY FOR RURAL RESIDENTS

Our right to self-defence is a natural right. It doesn't rely on permission from the police or government. Except in exceptional circumstances, self-defensive homeowners should never be charged. By Lorne Gunter, March 3, 2018

<http://torontosun.com/opinion/columnists/gunter-self-defence-is-a-right-especially-for-rural-residents>

HUNTERS COMMENT ON IF GUNS SHOULD BE USED FOR SELF DEFENCE

Rural residents should be able to use firearms to defend themselves and their land if absolutely necessary. That's what few hunters said at the Red Deer Sportsman and Outdoor Adventure Show Saturday at Westerner Park.

By SEAN MCINTOSH Mar. 3, 2018

<https://www.reddeeradvocate.com/news/hunters-on-whether-guns-should-be-used-for-self-defence/>

LIBERAL WANT TO SPEED UP INCREASED GUN CONTROL BILL IN CANADA AFTER PARKLAND SHOOTING -

"We're working on the final detail right now. It's just about ready to go to the House, not quite, I hope to be table it in Parliament within the next very few weeks." Goodale told iPolitics. "Part of the difficulty in this period is we've got the budget process and we've got these two weeks on (in Parliament), two weeks off, two weeks on, which drives me crazy in terms of logistics," he said. By Galina Kozlovs — March 2, 2018

<https://debatereport.com/canada/liberal-want-to-speed-up-increased-gun-control-bill-in-canada-after-parkland-shooting/5572>

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/03/01/goodale-says-gun-legislation-coming-wake-parkland-student-shootings/>

RCMP PUBLIC COMPLAINTS COMMISSION HIGH RIVER REPORT - FINDING NO. 31: *There is no information to support the claim that RCMP members breached any gun safes. Further, none of the residents interviewed reported that their gun safes had been breached.* (Page 66)

FIRST HAND ACCOUNT FROM A HIGH RIVER GUN OWNER - EXCERPT: Recollections from his interview with the Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP: "I related to him how my house was broken into and how a secured box that had a cable lock on it was opened with bolt cutters. Two trigger locked handguns were found inside and taken back to the detachment." Name and contact information withheld by request - E-Mail dated March 1, 2018
<https://dennisryoung.ca/2018/03/03/first-hand-account-high-river-gun-owner/>

NOTE: If any current or former High River resident wants to share their story, please send me an e-mail:
<mailto:dennisryoung@telus.net>

CANADA FREE PRESS – PRAY THE RCMP DON'T LOOK AFTER YOUR TOWN IN A STATE OF EMERGENCY By Dennis R. Young – April 1, 2014
<http://canadafreepress.com/article/pray-the-rcmp-dont-look-after-your-town-in-a-state-of-emergency>

BIG-GAME DRAW SYSTEM IN SASKATCHEWAN TO GET SIMPLER, MORE FAIR

More applications and fewer opportunities have led to long wait times. By Bob Sexton - Mar 1, 2018
<http://www.outdoorcanada.ca/Big-game-draw-system-in-Saskatchewan-to-get-simpler-more-fair>

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<https://debaterreport.com/canada/liberal-want-to-speed-up-increased-gun-control-bill-in-canada-after-parkland-shooting/5572>

POSTS FROM THE UNITED STATES & OTHER COUNTRIES

TRUMP ADMINISTRATION TAKES FIRST STEP TO BAN BUMP STOCKS

"The Department of Justice has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget a notice of a proposed regulation to clarify that the National Firearms and Gun Control Act defines 'machinegun' to include bump stock type devices," Attorney General Jeff Sessions said in a statement. BY LUIS SANCHEZ - 03/10/18
<http://thehill.com/regulation/administration/377729-justice-department-submits-proposal-to-ban-bump-stocks?userid=131593>

NATIONAL REVIEW - THE LAZY FANTASIES OF FOREIGN GUN LAWS

A great deal of what we think we know about gun control barely rises above the level of folk wisdom. Living in Canada, one of the supposed "good example" countries of the American gun-control debate, I've always been bothered by the low standard of evidence we are asked to produce to demonstrate our success. Canada, after all, is not a nation free of mass shootings — Quebec had a pretty savage one just last year — yet because we have comparatively fewer than America, this is considered good enough. Perhaps a Mountie can tell a tale of covertly surveilling someone plotting a murderous conspiracy, then shutting the investigation down after the subject scrolled through Ottawa's list of prohibited firearms and concluded, well, so much for that. By J. J. MCCULLOUGH, National Review - March 8, 2018
<https://www.nationalreview.com/2018/03/gun-control-foreign-countries-folk-wisdom/>

UNRAVELING THE DISHONESTY OF THOSE WHO OPPOSE ‘ARMING TEACHERS’

The idea on the table is nothing like what its haters are mocking

By Dan Calabrese. Canada Free Press - March 8, 2018

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HERE'S WHY RAISING THE GUN POSSESSION AGE COULD COST SOME CRIME VICTIMS THEIR LIVES

- The desire to “do something” is obvious. But what about a 20-year-old woman who is being stalked by a rapist or a killer? Research shows that having a gun is by far the most effective way for young women to defend themselves.

By John R. Lott, Fox News - March 8, 2018

<http://www.foxnews.com/opinion/2018/03/08/heres-why-raising-gun-possession-age-could-cost-some-crime-victims-their-lives.html>

AFRICAN-AMERICAN GUN ASSOCIATION, THREE YEARS OLD & GROWING USA

(Ammoland.com)- Three years ago on February 28, 2015 in honor of Black History Month The National African American Gun Association was started. Since then we have went from 1 person to over 20,000+ Members Nationwide and 54 Chapters. Let's have 150 Chapters by 2019!! Ammoland Inc. Posted on March 6, 2018 by Ammoland

<https://www.ammoland.com/2018/03/natl-african-american-gun-association-three-years-old-growing/>

TO KEEP STUDENTS SAFE, THIS SCHOOL ALLOWS TEACHERS TO CARRY GUNS

On a good day, law enforcement is 20 minutes away from the Porter Consolidated Schools district and its campus with multiple buildings, McMahan said. For that reason, he said, concealed carry permits for highly trained and qualified teachers and staff makes sense By Kelly -Mar 6, 2018

<http://www.selfreliancecentral.com/2018/03/06/keep-students-safe-school-allows-teachers-carry-guns/>

WHEN CAN YOU BUY A GUN, VOTE OR BE SENTENCED TO DEATH? SCIENCE SUGGESTS US

SHOULD REVISE LEGAL AGE LIMITS - By Laurence Steinberg, Professor of Psychology, Temple University -

March 5, 2018 - Laurence Steinberg receives funding from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the

Klaus J. Jacobs Foundation. <https://theconversation.com/when-can-you-buy-a-gun-vote-or-be-sentenced-to-death-science-suggests-us-should-revise-legal-age-limits-92328>

STAND UP FOR THE SECOND AMENDMENT

Liberals, because of their worldview, cannot conceive that “more guns” equals “less crime,” because that would mean self-reliant Americans don’t need bigger government. What liberals propose instead, is a trade-off: Give up your gun rights and the government will protect you. By U.S. Rep. Raul Labrador, R-Eagle. Labrador is also running to be Idaho’s next governor. March 4, 2018 [https://idahostatejournal.com/opinion/columns/stand-up-for-the-second-](https://idahostatejournal.com/opinion/columns/stand-up-for-the-second-amendment/article_13adbc58-3e80-5cd1-92cd-43e86be9ef8d.html)

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WASH. POST - AN ILLINOIS GUN SHOW BANS AR-15 SALES, LANDING IT AT THE CENTER OF A

NATIONAL GUN-CONTROL DEBATE - Organizers halted an advertised raffle that would have awarded an AR-15 to the winner, and vendors were told they would not be allowed to sell the weapon at the monthly show.

By Mark Guarino March 4, 2018

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/gun-show-bans-ar-15s-rifle-auctions-wake/story?id=53387388>

https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/an-illinois-gun-show-bans-ar-15-sales-landing-it-at-the-center-of-a-national-gun-control-debate/2018/03/04/12502e6a-1fec-11e8-94da-ebf9d112159c_story.html?utm_term=.dcbf7ba20d3f

DONALD TRUMP'S FLIP-FLOPPING ON GUNS IS CONFUSING U.S. LAWMAKERS

Just what Trump would like to see in the “beautiful” and “comprehensive” bill he called for earlier in the week remained unclear. By Catherine Lucey, The Associated Press - March 3, 2018

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4060570/donald-trumps-flip-flopping-on-guns-is-confusing-u-s-lawmakers/>

HOW SKI WARFARE CREATED BIATHLON

Biathlon has a long military history that stretches back several centuries.

By Mac Schneider mac.schneider@vox.com - Mar 2, 2018

<https://www.vox.com/videos/2018/3/2/17067922/ski-warfare-biathlon-olympic-sport>

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LETTER: READER APPRECIATES COLUMNIST'S WIT, WISDOM

By Dennis R. Young, Airdrie <http://calgaryherald.com/opinion/letters/your-letters-for-saturday-march-10>

Re: “It’s the ‘plane’ truth: women are winging their way to other careers,” Naomi Lakritz, Opinion, March 7.

<http://calgaryherald.com/opinion/columnists/lakritz-its-the-plane-truth-women-are-winging-their-way-to-other-careers>

Naomi Lakritz hit one out of the park with her column on NAV Canada’s comments that there aren’t enough women who want to be air traffic controllers. **I hope Prime Minister Justin Trudeau reads her column and gives his gender-bending**

head a shake. TEXT EDITED OUT: I also recommend he read the research by Jordan Peterson, professor of psychology at the University of Toronto, on the pay gap and gender where he identifies 19 reasons why women get paid less than men.

JORDAN PETERSON ON THE PAY GAP AND GENDER

By CONOR FRIEDERSDORF, The Atlantic - JAN 22, 2018

<https://www.theatlantic.com/politics/archive/2018/01/putting-monsterpaint-onjordan-peterson/550859/>

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FATHER RAYMOND J. DE SOUZA: JORDAN PETERSON IS RIGHT — STRUGGLE MAKES US

STRONGER - The university campus today usually makes fewer demands of students than they are encouraged to make of the university. That's not a good thing, by Father Raymond J. de Souza - March 8, 2018

<http://nationalpost.com/opinion/father-raymond-j-de-souza-jordan-peterson-is-right-struggle-makes-us-stronger>

CHRISTIE BLATCHFORD: JORDAN PETERSON VS. THE NEW FREEDOM FIGHTERS AT QUEEN'S

UNIVERSITY - The woman is a modern-day freedom fighter, by which I mean she was fighting against freedom (of speech, of expression) and for censorship and shutting debate. By Christie Blatchford - March 7, 2018

<http://ottawacitizen.com/opinion/christie-blatchford-jordan-peterson-vs-the-new-freedom-fighters-at-queens-university/wcm/d41a6f73-c61f-47e0-949f-fa2236a37ca4>

LAKRITZ: IT'S THE 'PLANE' TRUTH: WOMEN ARE WINGING THEIR WAY TO OTHER CAREERS

First of all, Prime Minister/Social Engineer-in-Chief Justin Trudeau, please don’t get any ideas about instituting forced gender parity in this area – even if the federal budget last week did mention “gender” a record 358 times. Just because something doesn’t have equal numbers doesn’t mean it’s broken. By Naomi Lakritz - March 7, 2018 3:00 AM MST

<http://calgaryherald.com/opinion/columnists/lakritz-its-the-plane-truth-women-are-winging-their-way-to-other-careers>

THE TRUDEAU LIBERALS ARE CAMPAIGNING ON STRANGLING OUR OIL INDUSTRY

When you replace the National Energy Board with a new agency named the Impact Assessment Agency, the message is clear: environmental impact is replacing economic benefit as Canada's primary policy focus.

By Ted Morton - Special to Financial Post - March 6, 2018

<http://business.financialpost.com/opinion/ted-morton-the-trudeau-liberals-are-campaigning-on-strangling-our-oil-industry>

GUNTER: CLIMATE CHANGE ALARMISTS' ARGUMENTS DON'T HOLD WATER

For decades now, the sun's activity has been on the increase. Solar scientists predict it will now lessen for a couple (or three) decades. And as it lessens, global temperatures should fall, too. We can shut every coal plant on earth, ban SUVs and force everyone to ride transit, convert whole neighbourhoods to geothermal heating, subsidize wind and solar farms, and spend hundreds of billions of tax dollars going "carbon free." We can build the alarmists' dream world and it will have negligible impact on climate.

By Lorne Gunter - Edmonton Sun - March 5, 2018

<http://edmontonsun.com/opinion/columnists/gunter-climate-change-alarmists-arguments-dont-hold-water>

BLOOMBERG - FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT IN CANADA PLUNGES ON OIL EXODUS

Foreign direct investment into Canada plunged last year to the lowest since 2010, hampered by an exodus of capital from the nation's oil patch and worries about the fate of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Direct investment dropped 26 percent in 2017 to C\$33.8 billion (\$26.3 billion), Statistics Canada reported Thursday in Ottawa. Capital flows dropped for a second year, and are down by more than half since 2015. By Theophilos Argitis - March 1, 2018

<https://www.bloomberg.com/authors/ABYML5-Stg/theophilos-argitis>

QUESTION: What plans does the Trudeau Government have to deal with this?

DOCUMENTS LINK KINDER MORGAN STRATEGY GROUP TO MILITANT ENVIRONMENTAL

ACTIVISTS - The key item in the paper trail is the KM Action Hive Proposal, calling for "ongoing coordination of organization support for mass action disrupting Kinder Morgan construction." By Vaughn Palmer – Feb 28, 2018

<http://vancouversun.com/opinion/columnists/vaughn-palmer-documents-link-kinder-morgan-strategy-group-to-militant-environmental-activists>

CALGARY SUN - THE ENVIRONMENTAL MOVEMENT HAS LOST ITS WAY

USA: Two years ago, a Gallup poll showed that the proportion of Americans who identify as "environmentalists" dropped to 42 per cent in 2016, from 78 per cent in 1991. CANADA: A series of polls on the national carbon tax from Angus Reid found support at 44 per cent in June 2017, down from 56 per cent in June 2015. By Mark Milke - March 3, 2018

<http://calgaryherald.com/opinion/columnists/milke-the-environmental-movement-has-lost-its-way>

'WE NEED PIPELINES, NOT BARRICADES,' CAPP URGES OTTAWA AS ENERGY INVESTORS DUMP

CANADA - Things are so bad for the oil sector, with investors dumping Canada for Iran and Brazil, that CAPP has had enough of waiting for Trudeau to deliver on his pipeline promises. By Claudia Cattaneo - February 26, 2018

<http://business.financialpost.com/commodities/energy/capp-to-ottawa-we-need-pipelines-not-barricades>

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