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The How, the Why, and the Who of Social Manipulation, also known as Social Re-Engineering

Years ago, a Liberal Cabinet Minister acknowledged the use of social re-engineering. It's a tactic designed to change behaviours to conform to a desired result.

Successful re-engineering (known as social manipulation) can alter attitudes, outlooks, financial health, and behaviours. Success depends on manipulation and control, use and misuse of power, and subjugation of others. The tactics are common in domestic situations – and in the political arena.

At the time, the author was aware of unwanted attention in specific forms. Years later, the Director of CSIS responded to the writer's request for his file. The response? he was required to bring an action in Federal Court. A CSIS file? A file on a single parent raising teenage children, while establishing a career? It was a silly reaction to sharing information, or was it?

The following review of the last 9 years describes how power was misused, and how voters were manipulated

into accepting the unacceptable. The consequences of not following the rules are paid for by an erosion of the Canadian way of life, while the elite continue to enjoy its benefits.

The concern is the lack of transparency and honesty in the actions of elected Members of Parliament and behind numerous pieces of legislation.

Voters must ask, did the legislation benefit Canada, or does it serve an unstated purpose? Is it a legitimate use of power or was power misused?

During Justin Trudeau's first term in office, we saw numerous actions that ignored the foundation of good government. Over time, voters came to accept them. Was it a setup for the second-term financial scandals that were more blatant, financial scandals that didn't benefit Canadians but did benefit the elites among us?

While Trudeau had difficulty continuing to convince Canadians of his legitimacy, Carney is much more practiced.

Imagine the glee among the global elitists when one of their own was appointed to the highest office in a country with 41 million new subjects.

ABOUT THE BOOK

The book is in response to a letter by the former Attorney-General for Canada, the Honourable Allan Rock to the author, after receipt of his paper, “Abusers-A Change in Focus.”

As a student of psychology and the law, he researched and wrote the paper in which he identified common elements in power imbalances, and reasons why some need to control others. He described the methods used to subjugate targets. The work identified abusive behaviours and the impact those behaviours have on unsuspecting victims. He used ‘chameleon-like’ to refer to social success that can hide true motives.

The research was done before the common usage of words like narcissist, manipulation, and control freak. It was intended to advance knowledge of domestic abuse and the interactions that lead to violence.

In response, the Attorney-General acknowledged receipt of the work and the government’s use of “social re-engineering policy.”

The concept of social re-engineering remained in obscurity until President-elect Trump used it during a 2024 rally in his criticism of Obama’s health care. He said,

“The radical left wants to control every part of your

life—your job, your speech, your kids’ education, and yes, even your healthcare. They don’t want you to have choices. They want the government to decide what doctor you see, what treatments you get, and whether you can even afford the care you need. This isn’t about health; it’s about power. It’s about social re-engineering—forcing you into a system where the government makes the rules, not you.”

Social re-engineering as opposed to political influence? The differences are remarkable.

Readers are reminded of the principles of effective governance that contributed to Canada’s prosperity, the use of common sense compared to social manipulation, and the goals of global elitists.

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PART I

THE PROMISE OF CANADA

CHAPTER 1 – CANADA’S PROMISE

Harold was a broommaker in Belgium; Paulette was a dressmaker in France. After their marriage, they embarked on an extraordinary adventure. Land grants were available to encourage settlements in western Canada, and they travelled across the ocean in less-than-comfortable accommodations to become pioneers of the prairies. They were among the two million settlers who chose Canada as their new home between 1896 and 1914.

The newlyweds farmed the previously undisturbed land, walking behind teams of horses who pulled the equipment necessary to seed and then harvest the crops. Their first home was made of sod bricks; their lighting was by kerosene or coal oil lamps. They heated their homes with wood stoves.

Cooperation was a way of life. Survival in the vast prairies, the extremely hot or cold temperatures, fostered and required cooperation among neighbours. They benefited when they worked together to provide home health care, to share information, and provide social outlets. Cooperation ensured everyone’s crops were harvested before the cold winter months set in.

They survived two world wars and the Great Depression. Yet they prospered.

They honoured the laws of the land; attended church

services and upheld their Christian principles; supported their neighbours in times of tragedy and celebrated with them in times of prosperity. Such was their way of life.

Their lives in Canada began with the experiences of horse and buggy and ended after seeing a man on the moon.

The pioneers' children were the generation of brave Canadians who distinguished themselves and their country with heroism in World War II. They fought and died for the freedoms we now enjoy, freedoms that made Canada the great country it is.

Their grandchildren became the post-war Baby Boomers who expanded borders and travelled the world while continuing to work for and enjoy the success of their grandparents.

Newcomers from every part of the globe followed. They, too, sought the benefits of living in a land where honesty and hard work were rewarded. They knew the value of being free. They adopted the way of life the earlier pioneers established, and they, too, upheld the doctrines of their faith and continued cooperation among neighbours.

CHAPTER 2 – THE CONTINUED PROMISE

The era following WW II until the 1980s has been referred to as the longest-sustained boom in history.

The Promise of Canada (Gray, 2016) examined 150 years of Canadian history to explore the essence of Canadian identity and the ideas that shaped our nation, A key conclusion she reached is that the success of our country is not due to any tribal exclusivity, but to the fact that its diverse population learned to share the land and live harmoniously together.

The book was released in 2016, before the current divisions in Canada, before Canada faced global ridicule, and before its economy declined.

Only 100 years after the first settlers' trailblazing adventures and less than 10 years after Gray's work, the generation known as Gen Zee fears economic instability, rising homelessness, a surge in crime rates, the unlikelihood of home ownership, and a \$61 billion deficit.

Ms. Gray's concepts for success are particularly relevant to the track record of recent Liberal actions.

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How did we get here? Can it be fixed?

The question for readers is whether the principles behind Canada's generational success have been applied during the past 9 years.

Historically, Canadians elected Liberal or Conservative governments. Some voters favoured a socialist focus and using taxpayer dollars for social programs; others agreed the support of healthy corporations is crucial to provide employment and economic growth. Leaders governed with integrity and honesty; they conducted themselves in ways that promoted Canada as a positive light on the world stage.

Now more than ever, we need leaders who work for the country's best interests.

The oldest living person recently urged young people to keep learning, stressing that what one knows can never be taken away. Learning takes place when we examine our own experiences. We learn from history and we learn through the power of information. Learning ensures we can exercise our freedom to make choices.

More than ever, we need our youth to be informed.

Peace comes from being able to contribute the best that we have, and all that we are, toward creating a world that supports everyone. But it is also securing the space for others to contribute the best that they have and all that they are.” – Hatsat Abiola

CHAPTER 3 - THE PRINCIPLES OF GOOD GOVERNMENT

1. Peace, Order and Good Government (POGG)

The following information is provided, not as a history lesson, but to remind voters of the values that led to the historical success Canada and Canadians enjoyed.

Democracy means rule by the people. The Canadian system is the reason Canada is known as a good place to live.

Canada's parliamentary system provides opportunities for citizens to provide input. It is designed to consider proposals for new laws or amendments to old laws.

The key is that people provide input through their right to vote.

The first-year curriculum in law school education offers the study of Constitutional Law. It defines the Peace, Order and Good Government structure that assigned powers to the federal government and powers under provincial jurisdiction. The balancing of powers was to ensure national unity.

The federal government consists of three branches.

- the Executive Branch is the Prime Minister, the Cabinet, and the Public Service. It is responsible

for making and administering policy, implementing laws, and overseeing government programs.

- The Legislative Branch is responsible for making laws. It consists of two chambers: The House of Commons and the Senate. Key responsibilities are the passing, amending, and debating of laws, approving the federal budget, and holding the government accountable.
- The third branch, the Judiciary, is responsible for interpreting and applying laws while ensuring the Constitution and Charter of Rights and Freedoms are upheld.

The design of three branches intended that no one person has sufficient authority to impose their personal will on citizens.

2. What is the Law?

The Department of Justice website defines the law in everyday language.

It affects nearly every aspect of our lives. Some laws deal with crimes and others govern daily activities like driving a car, getting a job, and getting married. Laws are the rules of conduct that protect everyone's rights.

"Imagine the chaos—and the danger—if there were no laws. The strongest people would be in control and people would live in fear," the site explained.

"Laws help to ensure a safe and peaceful society.

The Canadian legal system respects individual rights and ensures our society is orderly. It applies the same laws to everybody. This includes the police, governments, and public officials. All of them must carry out their duties according to the law.”

Against that backdrop, later chapters demonstrate how individual rights were disregarded, and laws ignored, leading to a less-than-orderly society.

3. How are the Principles Applied?

Most Canadians are familiar with the concepts of good government: The Rule of Law, Majority Rules, One Person, One Vote. The intention is that governments serve the will of the voters who elected them. Elected Members of Parliament are the trustees of taxpayers’ dollars intended to benefit Canadians.

Majority Rules prevents the chaos that would follow if individuals were allowed to demand changes that suit each of them without regard for the overall effect on society.

The Rule of Law is paramount. Its basic premise is that no one is above the reach of the law, and everyone is treated equally before the law.

Among the principles of good governance described by the Institute for Governance are:

- participation by citizens
- consensus on what is in the best interest of the group
- strategic vision

- responsiveness, effectiveness, and efficiency
- accountability and transparency.

The Charter of Rights and Freedoms was added to Canada's Constitution.

In summary, the Charter is described as the means for Canada to ensure the rights and freedoms essential to a free and democratic society are protected. It ensures that the government, or anyone acting on its behalf, can't take away or interfere unreasonably. It is a powerful force for progress, protection, compassion, and fairness.

(taken from the Department of Justice site: *The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*—Department of Justice)

The Baby Boomer generation's experiences and the protection of rights and freedoms fostered greater acceptance of cultures, religions, and gender identities. Women sought and obtained equality in the workplace. Racism and discrimination were unacceptable.

For generations, the principles were applied and worked well. Canada's way of life was the proof. Canadians became known as a nation of polite people; there was little reason for aggressiveness.

Nothing was perfect as it never is. For the most part, whether the government in power was Liberal or Conservative, Canada's reputation remained positive and intact.

Canadians elected men of honour, ethics, and integrity. Yes, there were assorted scandals and acceptable opposition to each government and its platform, but Canada enjoyed its worldwide reputation as a great place to live.

Our leaders often distinguished themselves. Lester Pearson won a Nobel Prize for establishing the Peacekeeper arm of the military, Diefenbaker championed the Bill of Rights and extended the right to vote to First Nations People, and Chretien repatriated the Constitution and saw the enactment of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. Brian Mulroney was known for his work on free trade, his environmental advocacy, and his focus on airports, to name a few.

When Stephen Harper left the Office of the Prime Minister in 2015, he had strengthened the Criminal Code by imposing higher mandatory sentences for some crimes. He reduced the GST from 7% to 5% to keep more money in voters' pockets rather than with new government programs, he introduced the TFSA as a measure for Canadians to increase personal wealth, and he successfully guided Canada through the 2008 global recession.

The accomplishments were, without fail, a benefit to Canadian society.

A notable exception was the elder Trudeau's term of office. His use of the *War Measures Act* and its restriction on freedom of speech during peacetime created fear and division. He forced the National Energy Board policies on Alberta resources to the detriment of the entire country.

4. In Summary

That was how it used to be.

What happened? Instead of the prosperity Canadians enjoyed until the 1980s, they now face a huge deficit, high inflation, and tariffs.

As Trump said of the radical left, “They don’t want you to have choices... it’s about power.”

Examine his warning in the context of a government that refuses access to Canada’s natural resources, reduces opportunities for voters to afford housing, or decides they will live in fear because of unchecked criminal behaviour. Policies that remove those choices impoverish Canadians and lead to changes in attitudes, opinions, and behaviours.

This isn’t about prosperity for all, it is about power.

According to Trump, “It’s about power. It’s about social re-engineering_forcing you into a system where the government makes the rules, not you.”

The system he referred to recognizes government as an entity separate from the voters who chose it, where its rules are imposed, and where its leaders claim to know what’s best for you.

Power and power tactics are used and misused in social re-engineering, whether in personal relationships or by government.

CHAPTER 4 - ABOUT POWER, CONTROL, and MANIPULATION IN PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS

Concepts of power, control, and manipulation are commonplace in unhealthy interpersonal relationships.

Power can be used in one of two ways. It is shared among many or used at the expense of many.

In the domestic realm, power takes many forms: coercive power, economic power, use of reward, use of fear, the fear of violence, and surveillance.

Power can cause physical, emotional, financial, and psychological harm. The dynamics are subtle, so subtle the target is unaware. Each form minimizes autonomy and erodes one's ability to make choices.

The most influential and positive power is the power of information and knowledge. What you know can never be taken away, reminded the world's oldest citizen.

In domestic situations, subtle patterns develop to keep one spouse subservient to the other who desires power, even though it's psychologically and emotionally unhealthy. It's a certainty that spouses who see through the tactics then become targets. The power seeker cannot accept anyone standing in opposition.

It is not uncommon for two types of personalities to enter an intimate relationship. One type is the person who craves power; the other does not and is willing to give it away.

Two psychological concepts are particularly relevant. When an accuser blames another for having certain motives and intentions, he reveals his own. Accusers usually phrase accusations with words like “he thinks,” “he wants,” or “he believes.”

It doesn’t need to be stated that one person can’t read another’s mind. Those falsely accused of actions or behaviours that are foreign to them can understand the basis for the accusations by understanding projection. Still, they can be damaging.

The other concept is the theory of attribution. A loving and caring person attributes those same motives to others, even in abusive situations. Most often the other’s actions do not support the attributed characteristics.

In an extensive study, “Unmasking Psychological Subjugation: The Dangers of Normalizing Manipulation” (Cecchetto 2024) the subtle ways one person can dominate or control another were identified.

Cecchetto noted authority and influence are tools that can guide people towards success, if used carefully, but can stifle independence and growth if corrupted.

The real art of ensuring success requires the authority holder to support informed decisions rather than manipulate outcomes. Success requires emotional intelligence and a strong moral compass.

CHAPTER 5 – ABOUT POWER, CONTROL, and MANIPULATION IN POLITICS

1. How it Works

Social re-engineering is often referred to as social manipulation.

President-elect Trump's statement accused the radical left, but the concept can't be confined to any particular group.

Proponents of social re-engineering as a mechanism for change view it as a policy aimed at creating positive changes. However, the negative consequences outweigh the benefits and lead to the loss of free will, anger, and destroying individual creativity.

Rajan Samual noted that the policies suffer a fundamental flaw. They consider the recipients of such benefits as mere objects.

2. A Framework That Can Work

Social re-engineering is subtle and used for both progressive and repressive ends. The effectiveness and

ethical implications depend on how well they align with acceptable governance principles.

Meghan Day described good governance as a framework to balance social change. It uses ethical policymaking to ensure that society progresses in a fair, transparent, and inclusive way.

The keys are the framework and ethical policymaking.

Many of the government's current policies ignored both framework and ethics with the consequence being the failure in Canada's progress.

CHAPTER 6 – APPLYING THE CONCEPTS OF MANIPULATION

1. How it Works

Manipulation is a short-term solution and ignores long-term goals. It produces anger, frustration, depression, and a lack of enthusiasm for the things in life that most people enjoy.

“Manipulation is a means by which a person is gotten to do something that the person was not initially inclined to do. As such, it is a form of power,” wrote Robert Noggle in the *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*.

He added that the term can be applied to tactics that influence the target’s state of mind and change the target’s situation.

The following are examples of usage in politics.

- a) A candidate tarnishes his competitor’s reputation with innuendoes, suggesting, for example, that the competitor is soft on crime.
- b) A candidate deliberately conceals the fact that, if elected, he will support a policy that most voters oppose.
- c) The dominant party redraws electoral districts to

concentrate voters from the opposing party into several smaller districts.

The effect of the manipulation is that it undermines autonomy and is useful for autocrats but creates difficulties for democracies, Noggle wrote.

2. Who is Vulnerable?

We have all been in situations where a manipulator takes charge, using their personality and conversational skills to manipulate social situations for their gain, observed Tullio (2023)

“We have all been victims of it! Yet, we fail to step up and do anything about it. In the social setting, we allow it. Why?”

Her answer suggested that among other reasons, the manipulators know how to use their skills at every opportunity to gain advantage and promote their self-serving motives.

The tactics lure many. Yet, the divorce rate suggests that relationships based on manipulation do not last.

Deception, discrediting, pushing the boundaries of others, concealing aggressive intentions, and isolating

targets, are tactics used by manipulators.

In politics, leaders' successes depend on having their goals outweigh the will of voters. Average voters don't consider such tactics but base their votes on the candidates, and the stated platforms they advance

An examination is warranted to determine whether the difficulties Canada now faces are due to manipulation, or sound policies.

CHAPTER 7 - CAN WE AVOID BEING MANIPULATED?

Information is long-lasting power.

An effective way to avoid manipulation is to apply our knowledge and base our decisions on provable facts.

Recognizing the tactics and relying on one's instincts is effective. If something doesn't feel right, it isn't. Parents teach their children about 'stranger danger' and to rely on their instincts.

We can mitigate the media's role in manipulating audiences by determining whether reports are based on facts or opinions. A benefit of social media is that reporters openly include opinions and reveal their biases when describing events. The downside of mainstream media is that reporters report events with personal biases attached. The 'what you see is what you get' approach is more open and honest than 'the wolf in sheep's clothing method.'

An example of media manipulation during the recent U.S. election followed a Trump speech. Those who watched it heard him question how Cheney might react if she was on the front line of battle as many soldiers have been, with guns pointed at her head.

One of Canada's mainstream news outlets reported it

as a threat to put Cheney before a firing squad. Those who didn't hear firsthand what Trump said were dismayed by an outrageous threat. Those who heard it were dismayed by the false report. The effect was a manipulation of listeners' opinions.

Advertising campaigns can be sources of manipulation.

Recall Robert Noggle's list of ways political manipulators achieve their goals. Among them is that a candidate tarnishes his competitor's reputation with innuendoes and suggestions. In the following example, an innuendo was that a competitor would destroy Canadians' pensions.

The ad was intended to convince voters that the Conservative leader was motivated by a multi-million-dollar pension and that he threatened the pensions of others.

Writers understand the importance of verifying facts. It's not legitimate to use unsubstantiated words.

The facts are that achieving the status of a Member of Parliament comes with a pension in the compensation package. There are no statements about destroying the pensions of others.

The intended consequence was not to inform but to manipulate opinions. Voters can expect many such false claims will be made during the upcoming campaign.

***Access to power should be confined to
those who are not in love with it.” Plato***

PART II

WHOA CANADA

The following chapter relies on information garnered from and about the new Liberal leader, his goals, his actions, his stated beliefs – and his values. Consider the information in the larger context of power, control, social manipulation, and where possible, in the context of good governing principles.

Before Canadians choose another ‘shiny object’ for the highest office in the country, voters would be wise to look at what lies beneath the surface.

CHAPTER 8 – MEET MARK CARNEY

1. Be aware of the prospects Canada faces.

Voters should ask, did Liberal policies benefit or harm Canada? Will Liberals learn from their mistakes and rectify the damage they caused? Or will it be more of the same?

Will Mark Carney truly represent Canada on the world stage, and will he return Canada to the earlier prosperity Canadians enjoyed?

“Values” (Carney 2022) describes his beliefs and goals. It received reviews and summaries from economists, scholars, and analysts.

The respected Dr. Jordan Peterson commented that there is no more complete statement of Carney’s ambitions, thoughts, beliefs, and moral claims than in his book. What Carney reveals in his writing is sufficient to judge his competence and character, he wrote.

Carney stated that 80% of oil and gas resources, the industry that drives the Canadian economy, must be left in the ground to meet net-zero goals. Peterson interjected that, if pursued, those goals will not produce the economic development Carney promised, without any plan.

Instead of producing an age of economic development, we would experience the misery inflicted on Britain,

Peterson added.

2. Net Zero – What is That?

Carney's book explained it best.

"Our goal has been to put in place the information, tools, and markets so that every financial decision takes climate change into account – to create a financial system in which a company's contributions to climate change and climate solution are fundamental determinants of its value," he wrote.

Carney added companies that align their business models with the net-zero carbon models will be rewarded and those that fail will cease to exist.

Financial pressures imposed to change behaviors are social re-engineering tactics, rather than positive political influence.

Carney is among those who promise to save the planet while using fear of the purported seriousness of the crisis to rule over every conceivable aspect of lives, said Peterson.

Rule over every conceivable aspect of life? That's exactly what President Trump identified as social re-engineering.

Carney held the post of governor of the Bank of England. The former British Prime Minister, when asked about Carney's policies and how they affected the British economy, gave Canadians the following advice, "I strongly recommend not backing Mark Carney for his policies on Net

Zero. It was disastrous for Britain. It would be disastrous for Canada.”

3. A Bit of Background

Before Mark Carney became Trudeau’s official economic advisor in 2020, Trudeau claimed that budgets would fix themselves, thereby showing his lack of understanding.

His economic advisor recently proposed a new plan to address voters’ opposition to the carbon tax. The larger new tax, he said, would be imposed on Canadian steel and wouldn’t cost people because people don’t really need steel, thereby showing his lack of understanding.

In response, Conservative Leader Pierre Poilievre, with his usual humour noted: “This is up there with ‘the budget will balance itself’.”

Canadians are asked to believe that Carney guided Canada through the 2008 recession. Those who paid attention during the Stephen Harper era admired and appreciated Jim Flaherty for his hard work, expertise, and guidance. Canada stayed the course.

When the Conservative leader, Pierre Poilievre suggested that Mark Carney is a global elitist, Carney replied he is.

The Canadian Coalition for Firearm Rights posted a video in which Carney stated that he’s an elitist, and a globalist, but says that’s what Canada needs.

Now that Carney is Prime Minister and the term ‘global elitist’ is frowned upon, his tune has changed.

Is he betraying himself by turning his back on his values, or is he betraying Canada by deliberately concealing the fact that, if elected, he will support a policy that most voters oppose

4. What is a Global Elitist?

In “The Routledge Handbook of Globalization Studies (Pakulski, Jan 2012) the author described the concept of the global elite. She referred to it as a superclass, consisting of the super-rich and powerful figures, such as the CEOs of transnational corporations, influential political, military, and religious leaders, among others.

The Lawyer’s Weekly added that the World Economic Forum (WEF) is a symbol of global elitism that attracts the wealthiest people on the planet, the same people whose actions contributed to global inequality, environmental degradation, and economic inequality. Among the 4,000 delegates are many corporate CEOs and financiers who gather to discuss issues ranging from technological transformation to climate action. The very nature of the event raises the troubling question, can those who profit from the status quo be trusted to dismantle it?

The only positive comments about global elitists are from the elitists themselves.

That’s what Canada needs? Not likely.

Who does Carney serve? It's not Canadians with his advice to leave natural resources in the ground (while investing in pipelines in other countries.) It's not Canadians with his cleverly designed removal of the consumer carbon tax and imposing it on an industry that serves Canadians.

Bureau published an online article titled "The Carney-Trudeau Nexus: How Financial Elites from Davos to Beijing Are Shaping Canada's Next Federal Election" in which the concerns stated in the title are described.

When Canadians vote, they don't consider the influence of Net Zero policies, global elites, a Great Reset, and the World Economic Forum. They seek policies and politicians that work for the collective advantage of Canadians.

Canadians need to be aware of the driving forces behind the unpopular ideas.

5. Net Zero, Carbon Tax, and 'You Will Own Nothing'?

The above heading refers to topics discussed by the World Economic Forum, some of which have been implemented.

6. The WEF Influence

The WEF was established by Klaus Schwab, a German economist and business professor who founded it in 1971. Its website states it is a platform to connect stakeholders "to establish trust and build initiatives for cooperation and

progress.” It engages political and business leaders and academia to shape global, regional, and industry agendas.

It has no power to legislate in any country. The group of experts offers ideas that political leaders might or might not use.

Mr. Carney was a member of the Board of Trustees of the World Economic Forum and as of 2024, Chrystia Freeland was on the Board. In 2011, the annual membership fee for an individual was \$52,000. Did Canadian taxpayers pay Ms. Freeland’s fee?

Notably, the day she announced her bid as Party Leader, Freeland’s website erased her affiliation with the WEF.

Canadians and industry adopted ways to reduce carbon emissions for many years, including those listed on the United Nations website. Ignoring those efforts, the WEF think tanks recommended a carbon tax to reduce global warming,

Canadians object to paying a tax that can take no direct action to reduce emissions, a tax that has had little effect. One such opponent asked, how can a tax remove carbon emissions from the atmosphere? The obvious answer is that taxes can’t, people can.

7. You Will Own Nothing and Be Happy

The WEF denies the concept of ‘you will own nothing and be happy’ as a policy of the organization and claims it’s merely a prediction for 2030. However, imposing

carbon taxes was only a suggestion, yet, 27 countries have imposed the tax.

In “You Will Own Nothing, and Be Happy” (Roth, Carol 2023) a bestselling author and entrepreneur heard of the prediction. Roth thought it was outlandish, but after researching, she learned that governments, businesses, and global elites share a vision of a future in which everyone would have everything they need, and no one would own anything.

The publisher, Harper Collins, introduced Roth’s book with the following description. “From declines in home and vehicle ownership to global inflation and government spending, many of the trends of modern life reveal that a new world is emerging—one in which Western citizens, by choice or by circumstance, increasingly do not own possessions or accumulate wealth. It’s the perfect economic environment for the rich and powerful to solidify their positions and prevent anyone else from getting ahead.”

The statement of the ‘perfect economic environment for the rich and powerful’ reiterates the concerns raised in the reviews of Carney’s book and concerns about Carney’s leadership. 2030 is only 5 years away.

8. From Thought to Reality

Only a few years ago, a carbon tax was merely a suggested method of dealing with global warming; under Carney’s influence, it became a reality.

The ‘You Will Own Nothing and Be Happy’ concept is

merely a prediction, one that, within a few years, could become a reality.

A role as Prime Minister of Canada would give an admitted global elitist *carte blanche* to advance the concept and determine whether citizens, ‘by choice or by circumstance’ would own possessions or accumulate wealth.

What better way to achieve global elitist goals than by countries led by those who love power and financial control, leaders who will act to achieve the goals at the expense of others?

Carney has already suggested that rewards and punishments could alter the direction of businesses for adhering, or not, to his environmental policies. Can people be far behind?

9. Ignoring Industry Leaders to Implement ‘Our Goal’

In response to the economic harm caused by legislation aimed at the oil and gas industry, Alberta Blue Skies, an advocacy group that supports free markets, free speech, fiscal responsibility, and limited government, listed common-sense facts. It was 2019 when Carney was the unofficial advisor to the Trudeau government.

The commonsense facts are set out below.

- Global energy demand will continue to increase significantly until at least 2040—and likely beyond that.

- The Canadian oil and gas industry operates in an environment where human rights are paramount.
- Canadian energy companies have invested significantly in reducing emissions from Canadian oil and gas extraction by pioneering new technologies and processes to make them less carbon-intensive.

The best estimates were that Canada produces approximately 1.5% of global emissions and if Canada were to stop emitting all carbon, the global impact would be negligible.

Proponents of a carbon tax ignored the voices of industry leaders, pursuing instead, Carney's goal of making every financial decision related to carbon emissions, rather than people.

10. Objects?

Even before his appointment as Party leader, Carney provided financial advice in support of his goal. The Green Slush Fund Scandal, breaches of law and ethics, and the refusal to follow an Order to produce documents might fulfill the goal of a global elitist but fall far short of good governance for Canada.

Those who expressed concern about the refusal to produce documents ordered by a Parliamentary Order face a newer concern. Carney danced around his obligation to provide personal financial information. The lack of

transparency marked the Liberal term with the attitude that the rules don't apply to us.

Cecchetto said the real art of using authority supports informed decisions, rather than manipulating outcomes. The refusal to provide important information does not support informed decisions.

The fundamental flaw of social manipulation is that it considers recipients of benefits as mere objects.

Those mere objects were informed, almost daily, in the House of Commons, that collecting and paying Canadians several hundred dollars annually had economic benefits for them. The assertions held a patronizing attitude and failed to explain the disposition of any excess funds, or the millions of dollars spent on a bureaucracy that grew out of the need to manage the funds.

One must ask, What is the real reason for refusing to obey the Parliamentary Order to disclose? Were carbon tax dollars used in the Green Slush Fund scandal?

PART III

WOE CANADA

Although the blame for failure was laid at Trudeau's feet before his resignation, the fact is that for 9 years, the Liberal Party, Liberal Members of Parliament, and Liberal voters enabled each and all of the actions that were contrary to the rules and constitutional principles.

While Trudeau eventually floundered in his continued ability to manipulate voters, Carney is more practiced in the art.

The past 9 years produced subtle changes in attitudes, changes in behaviours, and failed to implement good government policies.

CHAPTER 9 - THE SLIDE

1. Ways Trudeau and the Liberal Government Failed Canada.

a) Background

Following his 2015 election, Justin Trudeau attributed his success to his Sunny Ways message. “This is what positive politics can do.” Sir Wilfred Laurier first used the phrase when he said he would use a ‘sunny way’ of getting people onside politically instead of a divisive approach.

The younger Trudeau’s eulogy at his father’s funeral brought him to the Party’s attention. At first, he rejected ideas about a career in politics, saying a love for teaching and youth mentorship, not politics, motivated him

The Liberal Party had an opportunity to elect an experienced politician as its leader and instead, chose a junior with little Parliamentary experience.

Soon after assuming his new role, Trudeau disregarded the authority vested in the three branches of government, those designed to ensure that no one person would have sufficient authority to impose their own will on citizens.

Ten years later, the Liberal team pushed the former golden boy to resign, not because of scandals or his divisive leadership, but because Canadians rejected the Liberal

governance. He was the scapegoat.

Before his resignation, Trudeau's actions were similar to the unpopular President Biden, who clung to power despite widespread calls for his removal. A special kind of ego is needed to hold on to power when it's no longer sustainable.

Trudeau's first term demonstrated how far the Liberals strayed from the principles of good governance. The transgressions were accepted by and acceptable to Liberal MPs and the Liberal Party.

Among Canadians? – not so much.

2. The 2015 Election

Canadians mused over the concept of a part-time drama teacher becoming Prime Minister in a role that requires an understanding of the Constitution and an appreciation of Canada's place on the world stage.

Numerous Canadians jokingly believed the win was due to popular support for his pledge to legalize marijuana.

Wikipedia entries provided background on this new young leader. According to one source, Justin studied education and later taught in British Columbia.

Another wrote that he attended École Polytechnique de Montréal from 2002-2004, affiliated with Université de Montréal, in the study of engineering but did not finish his degree. Reportedly, he began a master's program in

environmental geography at McGill University but left to run for office.

His 2009 profile states he earned a B.A. in English literature from McGill and a B.A. in education from the University of British Columbia, eventually teaching social studies and French in Vancouver. The post mentioned that he was also finishing a Master of Arts in Geography at McGill University.

Another version had Trudeau at McGill University, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in English literature in 1994. He travelled overseas for a year and returned to McGill, where he studied to become a teacher. Before completing his degree, Trudeau moved to Whistler, British Columbia, where he became a snowboarding instructor and worked as a bouncer at a nightclub. After several months, he returned to teacher's college, this time to the University of British Columbia, where he earned a Bachelor of Education degree in 1998.

Confusing? Exactly! The inconsistencies are striking.

Neither McGill University nor the University of British Columbia's online yearbooks pictured Justin Trudeau among the graduates.

Unlike other graduates who proudly post their photos, there are no pictures of Trudeau in graduation robes available online.

One complete and accurate Curriculum Vitae would suffice, one that doesn't raise questions of veracity.

3. Do as I say, Not as I Do

While at McGill, Trudeau was a volunteer in the student society's Sexual Assault Centre.

a) Handling Sexual Harassment Claims

Two Liberal MPs faced allegations of sexual harassment early in Trudeau's term. Without a formal investigation, the claims rested solely on the statements of two women, one of whom also implicated a different parliament member. She was later found to be untruthful.

Trudeau handled the complaints by immediately dismissing the MPs whose careers were destroyed without any proof the allegations had merit.

It's a well-known principle of criminal law that one is innocent until proven guilty. Guilt is determined by the courts, not by elected officials.

The above example mocks the concept that rules exist for everyone to follow and why three branches of power ensure no one person has sufficient authority to impose personal will upon citizens.

b) The Creston Incident

When the behaviour of the Prime Minister himself was under scrutiny, he faced no sanctions, his career remained intact, and his offences went unpunished.

A woman accused Trudeau of groping her at an avalanche safety event in Creston, British Columbia. An interview later confirmed the incident occurred. What did

Trudeau learn from the students' sexual assault clinic at McGill?

The Creston Valley Advance reported the incident in an editorial after the event. The editorial accused Trudeau, who was twenty-eight at the time, of groping and inappropriately handling a young female reporter while she was on assignment. The reporter felt disrespected but provided no other details of what occurred.

Trudeau was later quoted as saying that if he had known the woman was a reporter covering the event for a national newspaper, he wouldn't have been so forward. It leaves the impression that a woman's role determines whether one is fondled.

The editorial observed that the son of a former Prime Minister should be aware of the rights and wrongs associated with public socializing. The groping of a stranger, it pointed out, isn't in the handbook of proper etiquette, regardless of who she is.

Trudeau initially said he remembered the day as a good one and didn't recall any negative interactions. A few days later, he said he didn't feel he acted inappropriately in any way.

Trudeau then claimed he atoned for his actions at the time, with an apology 'in the moment.' But he offered no details – and accepted no responsibility.

c) The Brosseau Incident

In May of 2016, in the House of Commons, the Quebec NDP Member of Parliament for Berthier-Maskinonge

endured personal attacks after she was elbowed in the House of Commons. She said comments on social media suggested that she minimized sexual assaults and rapes. The attacks accused her of 'crying wolf.'

The social media posts followed footage from the Commons television feed that showed the Prime Minister trying to pull the Conservative Party Whip Gord Brown through a crowd of MPs who were milling about.

"In so doing, Trudeau collided with Brosseau, who could be seen reacting with visible discomfort as Trudeau pushed past her, forcing her against an adjacent desk."

New Democrats reported hearing the Prime Minister mutter, "Get the f--- out of the way."

The MP who was pushed said, "I was shaking ... it is completely inappropriate what happened. The Prime Minister had no right to behave the way he did."

A Liberal-dominated Commons committee was to review Trudeau's conduct after his standard apologies.

The CBC said the Liberal majority on the all-party Committee of Procedure and House Affairs means it's unlikely Trudeau will face any punishment.

Under the "do as I say, not as I do" mantra, the Liberals took no action and silently condoned the behaviour.

4. Usurping the Role of the Court

a) The Omar Khadr Payout

The new Prime Minister usurped the role of the Courts and assumed power that was not intended for the Executive or Legislative Branch.

Canadians were outraged when a man, identified by the Americans as a terrorist, walked away with a \$10 million prize, paid for by taxpayers.

Briefly, Omar Khadr was 15 years old when he was captured by American soldiers in Afghanistan. Omar was born in Toronto but Khadr's father sent him to Afghanistan as a translator. He later joined al-Qaeda and became involved in militant activities, eventually taking up arms with the terrorist group to fight against American forces.

Sergeant Christopher Speer was killed and Sergeant Layne Morris blinded in one eye when he threw grenades. Khadr confessed that he threw the grenades.

The U.S. forces detained him, treated his injuries, and imprisoned him at Guantanamo Bay. Subsequently, Canadian intelligence officials interrogated Khadr at Guantanamo Bay on the understanding they would share information they gathered with the U.S. prior to his prosecution there.

The U.S. bypassed civilian courts and tried Khadr by military commission. He pleaded guilty to 5 war crimes in exchange for an 8-year sentence. He signed what was called a stipulation of facts, in which he admitted to killing

Sergeant Christopher Speer, trying to kill Sergeant Layne Morris, and being a member of al-Qaeda. His lawyers urged him to enter the guilty plea to facilitate his return to Canada.

In exchange for his plea bargain, Khadr was allowed to transfer to Canada to serve his 8-year sentence. He was sent to a maximum-security facility in Ontario and was later transferred to Alberta.

Khadr initiated legal proceedings against the Canadian government; the Supreme Court of Canada ruled the interrogations violated his constitutional rights.

Trudeau settled the suit on behalf of the Canadian Government and included an apology for the role Canadian officials might have had. He further consented to pay Khadr \$10.5 million. Today, Khadr is a free man with all conditions related to his bail removed.

In a move that ousted the jurisdiction of our court system, Trudeau said it wasn't a question of what Khadr did or didn't do. He said that was being settled in other venues. The decision was made to avoid what could have been a \$40 million payment at the end of the day.

He didn't mention the Canadian court system might not have found that damages should be awarded, or that any settlement might have been for a much smaller amount.

The Conservative Leader at the time, Andrew Scheer, had a different take on the Khadr settlement. He argued that Khadr's 2012 repatriation by the Harper government was an appropriate response to the Supreme Court's ruling about his violated rights.

“This payout is a slap in the face to men and women in uniform who face incredible danger every day to keep us safe,” Scheer said. “The fact that [Khadr] is in Canada today is the remedy, that is the compensation.”

Most Canadians agreed the Liberal government made the wrong decision in awarding the huge settlement and should have fought Khadr in Court. Trudeau’s supporters were among those who disapproved.

In response, Trudeau said Canadians had a right to be angry over the decision.

“So, I want you to stay angry, I want all of you to stay angry to make sure that no government in the future did as governments of the past did and allowed a Canadian’s fundamental rights to be violated,” Trudeau said.

Notably, Canadians are angry for violence in the streets, disrespect for law and order, high inflation, uncertain economic futures, homelessness, and the carbon tax.

5. Ignoring the Rule of Law

Thirty years ago, the possession of marijuana was a Criminal Code offence punishable by a fine and imprisonment. The average Canadian convicted of possession faced a fine of \$1000 and up to 14 years in prison.

When Michel Trudeau broke the law for possession of marijuana, his father, the late Pierre Elliott Trudeau, and former Prime Minister, interfered and used his power and

influence to ensure his son would not be punished for the same offence as other people his age. The admission came from Justin.

The possession charge against Michel Trudeau stemmed from the police investigation of an accident. While they were helping Michel retrieve items scattered on the highway, the police discovered marijuana in a container intended for lozenges.

“When he got back home to Montreal, my dad said, ‘OK, don’t worry about it.’ He was confident that he was going to be able to make those charges go away,” Trudeau said.

“We were able to do that because we had resources, my dad had a couple of connections, and we were confident that my little brother wasn’t going to be saddled with a criminal record for life.”

People from minority communities, Trudeau noted, or those without finances or connections, don’t have the same ability to make charges disappear. They face the full consequences of the law.

Where was the concept that the rule of law, freedom under the law, democratic principles, and respect for others are foundations of Canada’s legal heritage? What of the rules made to forbid certain actions, the rules that are enforced by the courts? The Trudeaus mocked the rules that apply to everyone equally.

6. Abuse of Power

a) The SNC Lavalin Affair

The most egregious breach of good government principles became known as the SNC Lavalin Affair.

The facts exemplify a total breach of the concept of 3 branches of government, each independent of the others.

Headquartered in Montreal, SNC-Lavalin operates across Canada and globally. It offers engineering and construction services and is a strong supporter of the Liberal Party, contributing heavily to it.

The RCMP laid corruption and fraud charges against SNC-Lavalin and its International Division regarding business dealings in Libya. The charges stemmed from the era when strongman Moammar Gadhafi controlled his country.

According to the RCMP, the company offered bribes to several public officials in Libya, including Gadhafi, and lied to Libyan companies to defraud them for almost \$130 million.

If convicted, SNC-Lavalin could be prohibited from bidding on federal projects for 10 years.

A political firestorm erupted after *The Globe and Mail* disclosed SNC-Lavalin lobbied the government to secure a deferred prosecution agreement (DPA). It speculated the DPA would have allowed the company to pay a fine instead of facing criminal proceedings. In support of its request, SNC-Lavalin said the charges were without merit and the

allegations were tied to people who were no longer with the company.

At the base of the uproar was the Globe's report that the Prime Minister pressured Jody Wilson-Raybould, the former Minister of Justice and Attorney-General to convince her to change the Public Prosecutor's decision to reject the DPA. Trudeau originally denied he put any pressure on the Minister.

After carefully considering her legal obligations, Wilson-Raybould reported to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Justice. Her report shredded Trudeau's denials and stunned Canadians. Wilson-Raybould acknowledged the intensity of pressures to have her overturn the decision by the Public Prosecutor.

She advised that for approximately 4 months, she experienced consistent and sustained efforts from within the government to politically interfere in her exercise of prosecutorial discretion as Attorney General of Canada. It was an inappropriate effort to secure a Deferred Prosecution Agreement with SNC-Lavalin. She advised that the events involved people from the Prime Minister's Office, the Privy Council Office, and the Office of the Minister of Finance.

The sustained effort was in the form of in-person conversations, telephone calls, emails, and text messages about SNC-Lavalin. Express statements were made regarding the need to interfere, the potential consequences, and veiled threats if the DPA was not made available to SNC.

At a meeting with Trudeau and the Clerk of the Privy Council, Wilson-Raybould said she would not interfere in

the matter. Present at the meeting was Michael Wernick, Clerk of the Privy Council. (He resigned 6 months later amid accusations of partisanship.)

While the meeting was not scheduled to deal with SNC and DPAs, the Prime Minister raised the issue immediately. Wernick said the Prime Minister asked him to help out to find a solution for SNC, citing that if there is no DPA, many jobs would be lost and SNC would move from Montreal.

She explained the law to him and advised what she could and could not do under the *Director of Public Prosecutions Act*. She advised that she had done her due diligence and made up her mind not to interfere with the decision of the Director.

She asked Trudeau if he was politically interfering with her role, her decision as the Attorney General, and strongly advised against it. In reply, Trudeau said, “No, no, no. We just need to find a solution.”

Wilson-Raybould later released a transcript of a telephone call with Privy Council Clerk Wernick. His statements were, “I am not calling you about litigation directive. I am calling about the other important one—the deferred prosecution thing/SNC and so on—I wanted to pass on where the PM is at... so our intelligence from various sources is that company is getting to serious point now... the board has asked consulting firms for options for the board for their next, which could be selling out to somebody else, moving...you know, various things.”

“So, the PM wants to be able to say that he has tried everything he can within a legitimate toolbox to try to head

that off. So, he is quite determined, quite firm but he wants to know why the DPA route which Parliament provided for isn't being used. And I think he is gonna find a way to get it done one way or another. So, he is in that kinda mood, and I wanted you to be aware of that."

In that 'kinda mood' Trudeau moved Wilson-Raybould out of the Justice Ministry and the Attorney-General portfolio and offered her Indigenous Services which administers the *Indian Act*. It was an Act Wilson-Raybould opposed throughout her lifetime. She rejected the offer and was eventually moved to Veterans Affairs.

The well-respected Treasury Board president, Jane Philpott, supported Wilson-Raybould and resigned. Questions were raised about Trudeau's declaration of feminist support, and his support from the Indigenous community began to evaporate.

"The solemn principles at stake are the independence and integrity of our justice system. It is a fundamental doctrine of the rule of law that our Attorney General should not be subjected to political pressure or interference regarding the exercise of her prosecutorial discretion in criminal cases. Sadly, I have lost confidence in how the government has dealt with this matter and in how it has responded to the issues raised," Philpott wrote.

Wilson-Raybould and Philpott wished to remain part of the Liberal caucus and run under the Liberal banner in the next federal election. Trudeau expelled them.

Voters may have been impressed with Trudeau's recent statement of being a feminist, saying "I will support you

every step of the way.” Others, not so easily fooled, recall his treatment of two females who stood in opposition to his will.

b) Reactions

Trudeau received a standing ovation from the Liberal MPs who expressed absolute support for the Prime Minister and his decision. Elsewhere he was met with condemnation.

He had previously enjoyed the luxury of the media’s excuses for certain of his behaviours and policies. However, the April 2019 issue of *Maclean’s Magazine* wrote “The Imposter” on its front cover with a photograph of the Prime Minister.

In an op-ed piece for the Montreal Gazette, Martin Patriquin wrote that as Liberal leader and then as Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau had promised his politics would be done differently. He described it as a deplorable episode.

In retrospect, he sounded much like his successor, Carney, who said he would do better.

“His new approach — actually an old approach invented by Wilfrid Laurier about a century ago — was one of ‘sunny ways’, in which his government would be pro-feminist, pro-Indigenous, and transparent. Just over three years later, he knocked the first Indigenous Justice Minister in Canada’s history from her perch for allegedly not playing backroom ball, then watched as fellow Liberals went into battle, scapegoating her in the public square. Sunny ways

these are not.”

The Union of British Columbia Indian Chiefs (UBCIC) expressed concern about Trudeau’s decision to boot Wilson-Raybould and Philpott from Cabinet and then expel them from the Liberal caucus.

In a strongly worded news release titled No More Sunny Ways, Grand Chief Stewart Phillip, president of the UBCIC, said the union was absolutely appalled by the action.

The two Cabinet Ministers, he said, were removed because they chose to act honourably and with integrity regarding SNC-Lavalin rather than bend to Liberal political pressure.

Perry Bellegarde, chief of the Assembly of First Nations, said the affair raised serious concerns about the motivations and actions of the government. He praised the two Ministers who were assets to the federal government, for their integrity, courage, and efforts to advance First Nations priorities.

7. Those Who Oppose (continued)

a) Vice-Admiral Norman

The Norman case first came to the attention of Canadians when the RCMP raided his home, looking for evidence that might link Norman to an alleged leak of Liberal plans to put a hold on the acquisition of a supply ship for the Royal Canadian Navy.

The RCMP search was for evidence to show Norman shared confidential information with a Quebec shipbuilder, Davie Shipbuilding, and a CBC television journalist. The accusation was that disclosing information was an attempt to prevent the Liberals from scrapping a deal, said to be worth more than \$610 million. Davie Shipbuilding had been selected by the Stephen Harper government in 2015 to convert a civilian ship into a supply ship for the Royal Canadian Navy.

The Liberals didn't approve of the deal and intended to end it. They alleged that Vice-Admiral Norman communicated Cabinet secrets to the shipbuilder to pressure the government into honouring the contract.

Cabinet leaks revealed a powerful company asked for a delay in approving the deal so that it could be evaluated for the project. There was a suggestion that the government preferred the contract should go to a shipbuilder it favoured.

It was a long and tortuous route, but in the end, Vice-Admiral Mark Norman was vindicated. The Crown eventually stayed a charge of breach of trust against him ending more than a year of litigation. He was exonerated of any wrongdoing when the charges against him were stayed. Speculation was that the Trudeau government wanted to put the issue to rest because of the negative publicity and the impact that might have on the 2019 federal election.

The outcome was highly embarrassing for the Liberals. Evidence came to light that Norman was denied access to a fund designed to provide financial aid to public servants who have been charged with crimes related to the

performance of their employment.

Norman was shocked to learn he was rejected for such assistance when the Department of National Defence showed bias, accepting that he was guilty of the charge without questioning the RCMP's allegations.

Vice-Admiral Norman had a distinguished career. He served as the military Second-in-Command before the charges against him. Despite his protests of innocence, General Jonathan Vance suspended Norman from the military.

Norman was in disbelief during the police raid, but shortly after he received a call from General Vance's office requesting a meeting.

Vance told Norman the information the RCMP passed on was compelling, sobering, and frightening but he couldn't say more. He handed Norman a document with the general's intention to ask for his resignation, telling Norman he was in for the fight of his life.

Vance later suspended Norman from command. Despite the claim of lost confidence, he asked Norman to brief his successor on the top issues affecting the military before he left.

General Vance curiously ordered a blackout on all information concerning the firing of the Vice-Admiral. The Canadian Forces refused to say why he was removed. When contacted by the media, Vance said he couldn't provide information because of privacy considerations.

Trudeau would not provide details of Norman's

dismissal, saying only that General Vance made the decision and he fully backed the Defence Chief. General Vance was not available to elaborate; he had left the country, and his office wouldn't say where he was.

b) Reactions

News of Norman's removal was covered extensively by media at home and internationally. The former Vice-Admiral received inquiries from naval officers and commanders worldwide, asking for reports of the events, and expressing concern for his wellbeing.

Norman wisely contacted celebrated Toronto lawyer Marie Henein to defend him. Henein's involvement in Norman's case changed the situation dramatically.

Henein was aggressive—and brilliant—in defending her client. She presented Norman as a fall guy for the Liberal government's embarrassment over reports that the Irving intervention resulted in the scuttling of the original contract. She filed an application to obtain relevant records, saying thousands were withheld.

"The people who were standing in the way of that whole disclosure is obviously the government who had access to them," she said.

It's a basic principle of the legal system that disclosure is required in litigation, whether in the criminal or civil courts. In addition, transparency is one of the principles of good government

One must ask why certain principles were upheld to pay a terrorist but were ignored in the prosecution of a man who faithfully served his country.

The Leader of the Opposition, Andrew Scheer noted that anyone who says no to the Prime Minister ends up with a target on his back.

8. Ethics Violations

The Aga Khan who recently passed away was the founder and Chair of the Board of Directors of the Aga Khan Development Network, the Aga Khan Foundation Canada, and the Global Centre for Pluralism.

In December 2016, Trudeau took his family on a Christmas vacation to the billionaire philanthropist's private island in the Caribbean without prior announcement. He flew under the radar.

Information initially tabled in Parliament revealed the trip cost taxpayers more than \$127,000 for jet travel, security, food, and beverages. Further investigation by the CBC revealed the tab was much higher, coming in at \$215,398.

Liberal MP Seamus O'Reagan and his spouse, Steve Doussis, and the Liberal Party President Anna Gainey with her spouse, joined Trudeau on the trip.

Ethics Commissioner Mary Dawson found Trudeau violated several sections of the *Conflict of Interest Act*. She noted the Canadian government contributed approximately

\$330 million to the Aga Khan Foundation since 1981 and that Trudeau should not have accepted gifts of hospitality from the Aga Khan.

“Because there was ongoing official business between the Government of Canada and the Aga Khan at the time each invitation was accepted, Mr. Trudeau, as Prime Minister, was in a position to be able to advance some of the matters of interest to the Aga Khan.” The Foundation also had official registration to lobby the then-Prime Minister’s Office. Commissioner Dawson’s report concluded that Mr. Trudeau’s family vacations could be interpreted as attempts to influence him.

Dawson also found that Trudeau contravened the *Conflict of Interest Act*. While discussing a \$15 million grant to the Aga Khan’s Global Centre for Pluralism’s endowment fund, he didn’t remove himself from private meetings with the Aga Khan.

When asked about Commissioner Dawson’s report, Trudeau replied that the fact he was found guilty of violating four sections of the *Conflict of Interest Act* shows the system works.

He asserted again that he considered the Aga Khan a personal friend, even though Commissioner Dawson ruled that he was not. She said that before the younger Trudeau became Liberal leader, the two hadn’t spoken in thirty years, other than at the funeral of Pierre Trudeau.

Liberal MPs circled the wagons, protecting the Prime Minister against any investigation. The Liberals, using their majority, blocked the Opposition’s attempt to have Trudeau

testify before the Parliamentary Ethics Committee. Their reason? Trudeau immediately apologized after the Dawson report was released and took responsibility for his actions.

In a continuing pattern, there were again no consequences for the breaches,

9. Divisive Leadership

Voters who recall the earlier restriction on freedom of speech imposed by another Trudeau were equally concerned with the second time the restriction was imposed. The former incident was known as the October Crisis when Pierre Trudeau invoked the *War Measures Act*.

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees freedom of speech as a fundamental liberty. Hate speech, obscenity, and defamation are all restricted.

A non-binding House of Commons motion by Liberal MP Iqra Khalid ignited an intense debate about freedom of speech. A non-binding Motion is designed to draw attention to an issue considered to be urgent or of public interest. The fear is that it could lead to the development of a Bill that could eventually become law.

Known as M-103, the Motion was passed in 2017. The government was called on to denounce Islamophobia and address the growing atmosphere of hatred and fear. It called for a study of ways the government can reduce systemic racism and religious discrimination, examine hate crimes, and assess the needs of impacted communities, all admirable goals.

The problem was that only Muslims, and no other religious groups were included in the Motion, thereby creating discrimination against other groups.

Conservative MP David Anderson argued there was no definition of Islamophobia in Khalid's Motion. He tried to remove the word Islamophobia to change the wording to condemn all forms of systemic racism, religious intolerance, and discrimination of Muslims, Jews, Christians, Sikhs, Hindus, and other religious communities. Liberals rejected the attempt.

Conservative MPs argued that condemning Islamophobia without context could stifle legitimate debate on issues such as Sharia law and the niqab.

All NDP MPs and almost all Liberals voted for the Motion.

Michael Mostyn, CEO of B'nai Brith Canada, spoke out against M-103. Mostyn expressed concern over assertions by some Motion proponents that anti-Semitism in Canada is confined to society's fringes, unlike Islamophobia.

According to B'nai Brith's Annual Audit of Antisemitic Incidents, Mostyn said 2016 was the worst year for anti-Semitism in Canada continuing an elevated trend that began in 2012.

The controversy over M-103 didn't end with the passage of the Motion. More than a year later, Iqra Khalid presented an award, a Certificate of Appreciation, on behalf of the Prime Minister to Amin El-Maoued.

A smiling Trudeau was photographed embracing El-

Maoued at a Liberal fundraiser at the Laurier Club Summer Reception and Garden Party.

El-Maoued was investigated by Peel Regional Police for chanting anti-Semitic slogans at a rally in Mississauga. At the same rally, children were filmed shouting “Israel and Hitler are the same.”

Khalid rescinded the award and apologized after B’nai Brith organized a petition drawing attention to her insensitive and dangerous actions. The petition said that anti-Semites, racists, and bigots of all sorts do not merit recognition from the Liberal government or its elected officials.

The Motion was another example of an attempt to change behaviour. While the intent was noble it lacked strategic vision by the restriction that protected one group at the expense of others.

The effectiveness of social re-engineering policies depends on how well they align with good government principles.

An interesting side note here is that 8 years later, discrimination against religious groups is at an all-time high. The contents of the Motion have proved ineffective.

10. Out-of-Control Immigration

The following was taken from a Government of Canada page, titled, “Understanding Canada’s Immigration System in 2019.”

“Every year, millions of people from around the world come to Canada to visit, work, or study temporarily. In addition, more than 300,000 people are approved to make Canada their permanent home each year under three broad categories—economic immigration, family reunification, and humanitarian considerations.”

There are specific programs for those who apply for permanent residence status.

“Come to Canada—the right way” urged newcomers to make their applications through an established immigration program.

That was in 2015. The immigration system is now in shambles with close to 200,000 illegal immigrants entering Canada in 2023, almost twice the number of the previous year.

There is no monitoring of who crosses the border illegally, whether they are criminals or terrorists. The situation can be laid at the feet of the Liberal government. The consequences, the tariffs, can be laid there too.

People who want to enter Canada to build a new life and enjoy the freedoms Canada offers follow the rules to obtain permission. Others enter illegally. Many simply walk across the border, knowing they broke the law. The applicants who follow the rules in Canada and show respect for our immigration system are disadvantaged by those who mock its legitimacy.

The former Conservative Leader Andrew Scheer said Canadians no longer have confidence in the fairness of the immigration system, undermined by Trudeau and the

Liberals. New Canadians, in particular, are most concerned because they play by the rules, and it takes longer for their applications to be processed.

The situation has not improved but has deteriorated.

Canadians pay a high price for illegal border crossers. Taxpayers were estimated to have spent \$396 million on those who arrived in 2019-2020, according to the Parliamentary Budget Officer. That was 5 years ago. The costs now are prohibitive.

Canadians have long been at odds with the federal government's response to illegal immigration. Most believe that there are too many claims of asylum by irregular means.

The broken system fails the best interests of law-abiding citizens and lacks responsiveness, effectiveness, and efficiency.

11. Embarrassing Canada on the World Stage

Canadians expect their Prime Minister to represent their interests worldwide, to meet and greet foreign dignitaries, and convey a favourable impression of what Canada and Canadians are all about.

As soon as Trudeau and his family set foot on Indian soil, the long-established relationships between India and Canada began to deteriorate.

The Trudeaus were dressed in Punjabi outfits and were

photographed with their hands solemnly clasped in prayer. *The Asian Age*, an English-language daily newspaper published in Delhi, described them, decked out in Punjabi costumes.

“Clad in an off-white “kurta-pajama” and with a saffron-coloured cloth covering his head, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau offered prayers at the Golden Temple, where he was presented with a “siropa” robe of honour. Mr. Trudeau was accompanied by his family, also clad in traditional Punjabi outfits.”

The Express Tribune said locals ridiculed Trudeau for wearing ‘fancy dress.’ His choice raised eyebrows among Indians who described the Prime Minister’s attire as ‘fake and annoying.’ According to the Express, Trudeau’s formal wear is typically worn by bridegrooms.

The visit started badly. Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi didn’t meet Trudeau at the airport when he arrived. Modi opted instead to tweet a welcome to Trudeau several days after he set down on Indian soil. Some saw it as a snub

While things started shaky, there was more bad news to come as the visit progressed.

Jaspal Atwal, a Canadian and a Sikh terrorist convicted of the attempted murder of an Indian Cabinet Minister attended a reception for Trudeau in Mumbai where he had his picture taken with Trudeau’s wife. He was also invited to a dinner in honour of Trudeau in Delhi. The invitation was later withdrawn.

The incident was highly embarrassing for the Prime Minister, and it was never clear how Atwal’s name was

included as an attendee or how he managed to get into India.

The Liberals blamed a BC MP for inviting Atwal until it was discovered that the Prime Minister's Office added names to the guest lists and included Atwal's name.

Indian television journalist and author Barkha Dutt, writing in the Washington Post, described Trudeau's eight-day Indian expedition as "an absolute fiasco". Dutt suggested that the coolness toward Trudeau by India was the result of his perceived close ties to the Sikh community in Canada.

"Since Trudeau won the election in 2015," she wrote, "the 1980s have returned to haunt Indo-Canada ties."

She revised her earlier opinion of Trudeau after his controversial 2018 trip to India.

"Trudeau has come across as flighty and facetious. His orchestrated dance moves and multiple costume changes in heavily embroidered kurtas and sherwanis make him look more like an actor on a movie set or a guest at a wedding, than a politician here to talk business. Suddenly, all that charisma and cuteness seem constructed, manufactured and, above all, not serious," Dutt wrote.

The purpose of the trip was to strengthen historic ties and promote economic opportunities. Canadians are now very aware of the state of those ties and economic opportunities.

Before the India debacle, Canada's worldwide reputation as a peacemaker depended on Canada showing

respect for other countries and their ways of life.

12. Exercises of Poor Judgment

The Liberals showed poor judgment in organizing the trip to India by the Prime Minister and his family. Meanwhile, Trudeau exercised poor judgment in other notable instances.

a) The Boyle Affair

The Prime Minister's Parliament Hill meeting with Joshua Boyle brought Khadr's name back into the conversation.

Boyle, who was once married to Zaynab Khadr, was a former hostage freed after the couple was abducted during a backpacking trip in Afghanistan. The purpose of the travels was questioned, especially since safer backpacking options were available.

Within two weeks of the meeting in the Prime Minister's Office, Boyle was arrested and charged with over a dozen criminal offences, including sexual assault, assault, administering a noxious substance, unlawful confinement, and uttering threats.

"To what end? The fact that the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) made no public mention of this meeting points to a belated realization that this was a terrible idea. If the PMO did not seek to gain any political benefit, then what

on earth was the purpose of the meeting?” asked the well-respected Rob Breakenridge, radio host for *Global News*.

He said that public knowledge of the meeting came only from a Twitter account attributed to the Boyle family.

“Justin Trudeau meets with Omar Khadr’s former brother-in-law yet when the father of a slain Canadian soldier in Afghanistan asks to meet with Trudeau over Omar Khadr’s \$10.5 M payout, he was told the Prime Minister was too busy,” tweeted MP John Brassard.

b) Mr. Wei

An individual advocating for Chinese interests met Prime Minister Justin Trudeau twice in 2016. Wei was described as the co-chair of the Canada-China Chamber of Commerce Association.

The Chinese businessman was subsequently charged with running an illegal high-end Toronto gambling ring out of an Ontario mansion involving armed guards and human trafficking.

Wei faced 21 charges related to the illegal operation of a betting house, unsafe storage of a firearm, possession of weapons for a dangerous purpose, possession of a stolen firearm, and possession of the proceeds of crime, among other charges in a bust the police named Project End Game.

Conservatives pressed Trudeau about two meetings with Wei, one of which was at a Liberal fundraiser.

“Now we’ve learned that the architect of a heavily armed, illegal casino operation in Markham has twice had facetime with this prime minister and surprise, he also has ties to the CCP (Chinese Communist Party),” said Conservative ethics critic Michael Barrett in question period.

“Canadians deserve to know: is the prime minister’s proximity to the Chinese Communist Party elites in Canada affecting his ability to protect Canadian interests?”

Trudeau failed to answer direct questions with direct answers. In response, he stated that the Liberal Party’s fundraising events are open to the media, and attendee lists are publicly released.

“Why should Canadians trust this defective Liberal government complete with its ‘Made in China’ sticker?” Barrett asked.

c) The Black Face Scandals

Months before the election that returned the Liberals to power in 2019, photos of their leader in blackface makeup surfaced. There were at least three photos and a video.

The story broke with the publication by Time magazine of a photo from a 2001 yearbook where Trudeau taught.

When pressed to state whether there were any more such images, Trudeau said, “I am wary of being definitive about this.”

In another example of a lack of transparency and accountability, Trudeau admitted he failed to tell the Liberal Party about the incidents when he was vetted before his bid to be elected to Parliament in 2008.

Trudeau responded to requests about whether he would resign, he argued that incidents like these should be approached on a “case-by-case” basis.

“There are people who make mistakes in this life and you make decisions based on what they actually do, what they did, and on a case-by-case basis. I deeply regret that I did that. I should have known better, but I didn’t,” he said.

Circular reasoning? You decide.

The-then Conservative Leader Andrew Scheer was shocked and disappointed: “Wearing brownface is an act of open mockery and racism. It was just as racist in 2001 as it is in 2019,” he said. “And what Canadians saw this evening was someone with a complete lack of judgment and integrity and someone who is not fit to govern.”

The Breaker News in an online article examined the West Point Grey Academy Yearbooks that Trudeau helped produce during his tenure.

“His worst fear is betrayal of trust,” he said.

13. The Worst Betrayal of Trust

Voters’ trust was betrayed by the broken promise of electoral reform.

The Liberals promised during the 2015 election that it would be the last time the first-past-the-post voting system would be used.

Briefly, the first-past-the-post system, described by Elections Canada is that in every electoral district, the candidate with the highest number of votes wins a seat in the House of Commons. The Party with the highest number of seats forms the government.

The road leading to the Liberals' broken election promise and abandonment of electoral reform was a remarkable example of manipulating an outcome.

On the campaign trail, Trudeau promised to make every vote count in his plan to 'restore democracy,' saying the Liberals were committed to ensuring that the 2015 election would be the last federal election using first-past-the-post.

In his own words, Trudeau described electoral reform. "A national engagement process will be executed," he pledged. He added that within 18 months of forming the government, the Liberals would bring forward legislation to enact electoral reform. A ranked ballot system, proportional representation, online voting, and mandatory voting would be examined. The promise was included in the Throne speech and had been part of the Liberal Party election materials before the election.

Trudeau denied changes to Canada's electoral system would solely benefit the Liberals.

"It would be easier to do nothing and sit back and just say, 'Okay, you know what, this worked for us, I think we can

make this current system work for a few more mandates' ... But that's not the kind of leadership that Canadians expected," he said.

Democratic Institutions Minister Monsef announced plans for an all-party committee on electoral reform and reiterated that first-past-the-post would be gone by 2019.

Within a year, Trudeau began wavering on the promises stating that electoral reform might not be necessary anymore.

"If we're going to change the electoral system, people have to be open to that," Trudeau told the newspaper. Then in Question Period Trudeau side-stepped questions on the matter, saying he would not use his party's majority to 'ram through' electoral reform.

In an expression of his own opinion, he said, "Under Mr. Harper, there were so many people unhappy with the government and its approach that they were saying, 'We need electoral reform in order to no longer have a government we don't like,'" Trudeau explained at an event.

"However, under the current system, they now have a government they are more satisfied with. And the motivation to want to change the electoral system is less compelling."

Monsef later refused to guarantee a new electoral system by 2019, asking, "How do we gauge whether or not this reform has the broad support? We're counting on that committee to come back to us and, if all goes well, we get to introduce legislation to that effect in the House of Commons in the spring."

The all-party committee's long-awaited report recommended the Trudeau government design a new proportional voting system and hold a national referendum to gauge how much Canadians would support it.

The report acknowledged the overwhelming majority of testimony from almost 200 electoral experts and thousands of interested Canadians favoured proportional representation.

Monsef reviewed the report and said, "The only consensus that the report found was that there is no consensus on electoral reform."

The Liberals bailed on the promise to change the voting system and completely abandoned any plans for electoral reform.

According to Trudeau, Cross-Canada consultations failed to signal great demand for electoral reform. A national referendum would not be happening either.

"A clear preference for a new electoral system, let alone a consensus, has not emerged," Trudeau wrote. "Furthermore, without a clear preference or a clear question, a referendum would not be in Canada's interest."

So much for his plan to restore democracy, the democracy the Liberals broke along with the broken promises.

Where was the citizen participation, the referendum? Where was the consensus on what is the group's best interests?

14. The Better Alternative

a) Types of Leaders

The Corporate Governance Institute noted that among the four styles of leadership, are the Democratic style and the Authoritarian style.

The Democratic style focuses on collaboration and consensus-building, setting up an open environment where ideas flow freely.

Authoritarian Leaders take control of decision-making processes, placing their judgment at the forefront.

Trudeau's 2016 speech gave considerable insight into the Prime Minister's judgment in a tribute to the Communist Leader Fidel Castro.

"Fidel Castro was a larger-than-life leader who served his people for almost half a century. A legendary revolutionary and orator, Mr. Castro made significant improvements to the education and healthcare of his island nation."

"While a controversial figure, both Mr. Castro's supporters and detractors recognized his tremendous dedication and love for the Cuban people who had a deep and lasting affection for *el Comandante*."

"I know my father was very proud to call him a friend and I had the opportunity to meet Fidel when my father passed away."

Authoritarian governance and prioritizing his judgment over others were hallmarks of Fidel Castro's leadership.

15. A Chance for the Democratic Style

Before the 2019 election Canadians witnessed Trudeau's disregard for the rights of others and had ample evidence of his leadership style.

Incredibly, the Liberal government won another term, even after numerous constitutional violations, blunders, and a lack of transparency.

Most Canadians favoured Scheer's approach to democratic leadership, having garnered more votes than those cast for the Liberals.

The Conservatives received 6,155,662 votes while the Liberals trailed with 5,915,950 votes. Was that the reason for breaking the promise to reform the electoral system? To prevent the most popular leaders from forming government?

The broken promise for electoral reform allowed the Liberals to gain more seats and allowed them to form the government. Trudeau could no longer deny that no changes to Canada's electoral system benefitted the Liberals.

"In the wake of Lavscam and the now-aborted Mark Norman trial, what new examples of abuse of power will Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's government engage in if re-elected with a majority government on Oct. 21?" asked *Toronto Sun* columnist Goldstein.

Voters didn't expect what came next.

***The greater the power, the more
dangerous the abuse. Edmund Burke***

CHAPTER 10 – SUNNY DAYS, MY FRIENDS

The “Sunny ways, my friends, sunny ways” that Trudeau spoke of when first elected were indeed sunny – but not for Canada.

1. The Trudeau/Carney Alliance

The Liberal government, with its renewed power, continued the policies that harmed the Canadian economy, Canadian freedoms, Canadian unity, and Canada’s international reputation.

We don’t know how much influence Mark Carney had during Trudeau’s first term, but we do know that from 2019 onwards, they shared power. Carney’s hand can be seen in many decisions by the Liberal government.

Ask yourselves, did each incident promote a healthy economy, or did it lead to economic deprivation? Was it a misuse of power? Who benefitted?

The practice of ignoring the rules became the norm. A Wikipedia chart of scandals involving governments and/or leaders reveals that between 2000 and 2023, 15 of the 20 scandals listed were committed by Trudeau and the Liberal Party.

2. Crippling the Oil and Gas Industry

Canadians remember the consequences of Pierre Elliott Trudeau's National Energy Program, which continues to impact the energy industry. Instead of a strategic vision, the policy created division among provinces. It increased unemployment in Alberta from 3.7% to 12.4%. Albertans experienced losses between \$50 billion and \$100 billion as bankruptcy rates climbed 150%.

The younger Trudeau and his team disregarded the advice of scholars, politicians, economists, and business leaders, and pushed through legislation that further targeted the oil and gas industry. The crippling of oil and gas exploration created economic harm across provincial boundaries.

"Justin Trudeau was trying to fulfill his father's dream of a 'powerless' Alberta by stripping its energy wealth in the name of climate change," said Dr. Barry Cooper, a professor of Political Science at the University of Calgary.

"Rather than attempting to steal Alberta's energy wealth like his father tried to do with the National Energy Program, Justin Trudeau tried to smash it out of existence," noted Cooper. He said that in place of a single plan to confiscate Western wealth, a series of incremental policies ensured that there could be no Canadian hydrocarbon industry within a generation.

Kenneth Green, Resident Scholar and Chair in Energy and Environmental Studies for the Fraser Institute, a conservative think tank headquartered in Vancouver, had

this to say,

“Prime Minister Trudeau is clearly his father’s son and has seemingly taken up his father’s crusade to neutralize the economic (and hence political and social) power of the Prairies. The energy sectors of Alberta and Saskatchewan are under siege. And Albertans are growing angrier at opposition in British Columbia and Quebec who not only are frustrating business but showing clear contempt for the people of the Prairie Provinces. Tempers are running high, and the policies and perceptions of Albertans and others could cause lasting damage, and yes, lasting alienation.”

Bill C-69 breached the provinces’ constitutional right to manage their natural resources. The Bill banning oil tankers unfairly attacked Alberta. Together, the Bills constituted an attack on Canada.

“Couching this as protecting the coastal environment is ultra-selective, hypocritical, and unfair to some Canadians over others,” wrote Martha Hall Findlay in her discussion of Bill C-48’s negative economic impact.

People in the oil and gas sector are angry that Bill C-48 doesn’t address tanker traffic in any other part of the country, Findlay said.

The Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers noted that Bill C-69 jeopardized the potential for Canada-wide benefits from the nation’s oil and gas industry.

The Bills threatened Canada’s oil and gas sector’s global competitiveness, hindered future investment, and jeopardized Canadian jobs.

While the attacks on the Canadian industry were taking place, investments were made in Brazilian pipelines and energy projects outside Canada. By whom? Stay tuned.

3. Strategic Vision – Or Lack Thereof?

Despite all opposition, the Liberals rammed the Bills through and supported Carney's 'values' that resources should remain in the ground. Nevertheless, Carney admitted to ownership in Brazilian pipelines when questioned later by Pierre Poilievre.

The measures intended to achieve the WEF goals toward climate change or Net Zero did not account for the reality of Canadian industry or the Canadian economy.

With a strong economy, Canada would be better positioned to weather Trump's 2025 tariffs. Years of Liberal rule and damaging policies created a different reality. The economic counsel given by Mark Carney put Canadians in a difficult position.

Recall Trudeau's statements when he explained the \$10 million settlement with Khadr.

"So, I want you to stay angry, I want all of you to stay angry to make sure that no government in the future did as governments of the past did and allowed a Canadian's fundamental rights to be violated," Trudeau said.

Fundamental rights of Canadians include the right to spend the money they earn, to own a home, and not to live in fear. Canadians should be furious.

Did Liberals learn from first-term mistakes? Or were the second-term actions more examples of abuses of power, poor judgment, or ongoing economic damage? How important were democratic principles in the continued Liberal rule?

Trudeau and Carney can be likened to a tag team. Trudeau set up the failures, and Carney took over from there.

4. Inaction – the Rail Strike

The *BBC* described how effectively rail lines across Canada were paralyzed after being blockaded by Indigenous protesters and their supporters.

For years the Wet'suwet'en hereditary chiefs opposed the pipeline; other First Nations bands signed off on a route in B.C. Pipeline opponents used blockades to prevent workers from accessing the site.

A court-ordered police action to remove a roadblock leading to a pipeline construction site ignited the conflict. The blockade created economic problems and concerns about product scarcity.

CN Rail transported more than \$250 billion worth of goods annually at the time of the strike in 2020. Cross-country freight trains were stopped when CN shut down its eastern network.

When Via Rail traffic was halted, over 94,000 passengers were forced to find alternative means of travel. One

thousand temporary layoffs were issued, and CN sent 450 temporary layoff notices.

Wheat and barley farmers faced additional economic harm by being unable to deliver their grain after a difficult harvest.

With trains stopped and the economy suffering, the pressure mounted on Trudeau to end the conflict. Instead, while in Africa, Trudeau urged a speedy resolution from both sides.

Andrew Scheer, the Conservative leader, pointed out Trudeau's inaction and lack of a plan to resolve the conflict.

By early March, Canada's medical officer advised against gatherings, as part of the country's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. That's when the blockades came down.

5. Overreaction – The Emergencies Act

In contrast to the Liberal lack of action during the 2020 Rail Strike was their overaction in response to the Freedom Convoy.

There were, and are, differing points of view about the COVID-19 pandemic, each so firmly held there is no consensus on who is right and who is wrong.

Leaders of the Freedom Convoy spoke for truckers against vaccine mandates and asked to meet with the federal government. A meeting never materialized.

The supporters got attention when they arrived in Ottawa and adopted the tactic of another blockade. They intended to stay until they were heard.

Residents and businesses in the Ottawa area surrounding Parliament suffered from noise and disruption. Businesses, already struggling due to COVID shutdowns, faced further economic ruin.

Citizens who tried to go about their daily lives were harassed and verbally abused. Support for the convoy was diminished because of the disrespect shown toward residents.

There was no dialogue. The government invoked the *Emergencies Act* to end the blockade in a move described as the government declaring war on its citizens.

The use of the Act has been termed an overreach, reminiscent of the previous restrictive move under the *War Measures Act* invoked by the elder Trudeau.

Pierre Trudeau's response, when asked about using the Act, was, "Just watch me."

Justin Trudeau's response, when asked about using the Act, was, "Truckers don't have the right to hold us hostage."

Both father and son were supported by elected Liberal Members of Parliament and the Liberal Cabinet. The majority of Canadians didn't support their actions.

An examination of the legislation and its use will aid in understanding the legislation and how it can and cannot be used against groups.

6. The Emergencies Act

The *Emergencies Act* contains a number of threshold components and internal checks and balances for it to be invoked, wrote Gavriel Kesik-Libin, when reporting on the Court review of the invocation of the Emergencies Act.

“The Act defines a ‘national emergency’ as an ‘urgent and critical situation of a temporary nature’ which must ‘seriously [endanger] the lives, health, or safety of Canadians, and is of such proportions or nature as to exceed the capacity or authority of a province to deal with it’.”

A national emergency must seriously threaten the Government’s ability to preserve the sovereignty, security, and territorial integrity of Canada, Kesik-Libin added.

Briefly, a national emergency is found when the situation cannot be managed under any other Canadian law. For the emergency to be declared, there must be a threat to the security of Canada, as defined in the *Canadian Security Intelligence Services Act*. The activities are directed toward or in support of the threat or use of violence.

The first issue raised in the application for judicial review was whether the Act was appropriately used and therefore outside the scope of the Emergencies Act.

The Court concluded that on the first issue, the invocation of the Act was unreasonable and ultra vires.

It’s important to understand the application of the Act when assessing Mark Carney’s recent statement he would

use the *Emergencies Act* against provinces.

7. Sunny Days, My Friends

a) The WE Charity Scandal

WE Charity was started by human rights advocates Marc and Craig Kielburger in 1995. As the non-profit division of WE, it delivers educational and social justice programs both nationally and internationally. Donors to the Canadian charity were later disappointed by its closure.

Trudeau's choice to involve the charity in overseeing a \$900 million student grant program initiated the scandal surrounding the Trudeau family and raised conflict of interest issues.

A contract awarded to WE Charity was not run through a competitive process.

Neither Trudeau nor then-Finance Minister Bill Morneau, who also had family ties to the charity, recused himself from cabinet discussions on awarding the contract. Opposition politicians accused the Liberal government of playing favourites and rewarding the organization.

Trudeau, his mother Margaret, and his wife Sophie Grégoire Trudeau all participated in WE Day and related projects.

Initially, WE Charity denied paying the Trudeau family for their appearances at WE events. It was later discovered that Trudeau's mother received around \$250,000 for speaking engagements, his brother Alexandre approximately

\$32,000, and Trudeau's wife had expenses covered.

8. Your Word is Your Bond – or Not

The 2015 Liberal platform under Justin Trudeau contained a pledge to save billions of dollars through reduced spending on outside consultants. In reality, spending on outsourcing increased nearly 60% from the \$10.4 billion when the Liberals took office, according to writer John Ivison.

All federal governments use consultants as a useful way to acquire specialty services or fulfill particular requirements without having to hire permanent staff, Ivison noted. Except, of course, the Trudeau government has done that as well, he added.

The Conservatives noted that a global consultancy, McKinsey, saw its earnings from federal government contracts skyrocket, receiving \$66 million over six years. Many of the funds were used for management advice to the Department of Immigration, a department with salaried bureaucrats to manage it.

The price tag for the machinery of government, in the form of salaries and fees, rose by more than 50% in 7 years.

9. The App Scandal

The following report says it best and is reproduced in its entirety.

“OTTAWA, Feb 12 (*Reuters*) – The Canadian government bungled a COVID-era app for travelers at every stage, failed to keep records and poorly utilized funds, the country’s top watchdog said in a highly critical report on Monday.

The Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA), working with the health and public services ministries, launched the ArriveCAN application in April 2020 to collect health information from travelers and assist with quarantine measures.

The government ‘repeatedly failed to follow good management practices in the contracting, development, and implementation of the ArriveCAN application,’ Auditor General Karen Hogan said in an official report presented in parliament.

The app was updated 177 times, often with little to no documentation of testing, and at one point some 10,000 travelers were wrongly instructed to quarantine’ she said.

CBSA’s documentation, financial records and controls were so poor that we were unable to determine the precise cost of the ArriveCAN application,” Hogan said, estimating the final price tag to be C\$59.5 million (\$44.3 million).

As a result of the many gaps and weaknesses we found in the project’s design, oversight, and accountability, it did not deliver the best value for taxpayer dollars spent.

The report added to another audit of the government’s COVID policies that found some C\$4.6 billion of relief funds ended up in ineligible hands due to verification lapses.”

Conservative leader Pierre Poilievre’s response was,

“He took 60 million of your dollars and put it into this arrive scam - think of that.”

10. The Green Slush Fund Scandal

Recall Mark Carney’s words, “Firms that align their business models with the transition to a net-zero carbon economy will be rewarded; those that fail to adapt will cease to exist”.

Sustainable Development Technology Canada (STDC) - SD Tech Fund™ manages a fund that gives grants to innovative companies with innovative technological solutions that address climate change, clean, air, clean water, and clean soil.

Taxpayer dollars fund the program.

Government-appointed decision-makers distribute the grants. The Liberals could have appointed numerous capable individuals with strong environmental knowledge to serve effectively. Instead, they appointed friends.

The Conservative Member of Parliament for Lethbridge described the misuse of funds as a huge scandal that would have gone unnoticed, had it not been for a whistleblower brave enough to pull back the curtain and reveal the board’s fraudulent behaviour.

The Auditor General found that Green Slush Fund officials were sending taxpayer money to their own companies and the Ethics Commissioner found that Trudeau’s handpicked Green Slush Fund Chair had broken

the law.

Among the findings of the Auditor General was the awarding of funding by the Directors to projects that were ineligible and where conflicts of interest existed. In all, \$123 million worth of contracts were given inappropriately, with \$59 million to projects that never should have been awarded any money at all.

The Auditor General also found that over \$330 million in taxpayer dollars were paid out where there was a potential conflict of interest in 180 cases. Trudeau-appointed directors funneled money to companies they own.

A Parliamentary Order was issued for the government to turn over all documents and evidence to the RCMP. Despite the Order, the Liberals refused to produce the documents, a clear indication of their attempt to hide the extent of the corruption.

The Speaker of the House ruled that Parliament could not continue debate on any other issue until the corruption scandal was dealt with, thereby putting Canadians and their issues aside to run cover for the breaches.

The entire incident is reminiscent of the warning in Roth's book, of a perfect economic environment for the rich and powerful to solidify their positions and prevent anyone else from getting ahead.

The WEF said the concept of 'you will own nothing and be happy' was a prediction for 2030. The slush fund scandal moves the concept to the edge of reality. 2030 is only 5 years away.

None of the Liberal scandals, with their serious financial impacts, have benefitted Canadians as a whole. They have benefitted the Liberal elite.

11. Artificial Intelligence and Human Intelligence

Our prompt for an AI app to identify actions by the Liberal Government (2016-2024) detrimental to Canada yielded the examples that follow.

- Expensive and Inefficient National Dental Care Plan
- Costly and Mismanaged National Child Care Program
- Open Border Policies and Rising Crime Rates
- Effects of Unchecked and Unqualified Immigration
- Increased Cost of Living Due to Carbon Tax

The policies appear to meet socialist goals, but the inefficiency does not.

Despite their generosity, Canadians are donating less to charities due to economic hardship, leaving the government to take on a role as a huge charity.

Increased dependency and reduced autonomy are the intended goals when a government offers money for groceries or pays bureaucrats at the Canada Revenue Agency to complete taxpayers' returns.

Some might benefit – but most resent it. They might even be angry.

Canadians have an opportunity to return to a government that chooses policies that work for Canadian society and have an opportunity to reject the power and manipulation that has created so much harm in so many ways.

The current renewed support for the Liberal government now that Trudeau is gone, is reminiscent of personal relationships based on an imbalance of power. Lawyers who serve abused spouses are familiar with the tactics.

“I promise to do better,” “I won’t do it again.” The promisors successfully manipulate their targets into giving them another chance, chances that lead to later abuses. The promises have no value.

CHAPTER 11 – THE CURRENT CAMPAIGN

1. What to Watch For

The current campaign might receive significant funding from elitists. In response to their economic power, voters can invoke information power.

Do the campaign ads fall under Noggle's description of tactics used for successful social manipulation?

- A candidate tarnishes his competitor's reputation with innuendos, suggesting, for example, that the competitor is soft on crime.
- A candidate deliberately conceals the fact that, if elected, he will support a policy that most voters oppose.
- The dominant party redraws electoral districts to concentrate voters from the opposing party into several smaller districts.

"The term manipulation can be applied to tactics that influence the target's state of mind and tactics that change the target's situation," Noggle said.

Voters who hear Mark Carney's plans, economic or

otherwise, would be wise to ask, Is this another promise the Liberals might break; does it suit the goals or meet a prediction of WEF thinkers? Do the words conceal a policy that most voters oppose?

Carney has placed himself in an interesting position. In the face of the promises he makes now, is he betraying his own values, or will he betray Canadians?

2. Application of Social Manipulation Tactics

The second point, the one about concealing facts, is particularly relevant.

From the time the Carney Carbon Tax was imposed, Liberals consistently ignored calls to remove it. Now, in an about-face turn, one of Carney's first statements as Prime Minister was that he would remove the consumer tax.

In interpersonal relationships, a notable tactic used by a powerful partner is to adopt wisdom expressed by the other and then express it as their own. The parallels are concerning.

Do Carney's statements follow the electoral-reform and reduction-of-bureaucracy promises? Does Carney believe Canadians lack an understanding of industrial taxes that are passed to consumers?

Does a leopard change its stripes? Most think not, but there's too much at stake to find out.

3. Manipulation to Influence State of Mind

a) Jim Warren in EnergyNow revealed what every lawyer knows about detecting a truthful or untruthful opponent.

“If Mark Carney simply told the truth, he wouldn’t have to remember if what he says in Quebec matches what he says in Western Canada.”

When speaking in Kelowna on February 12, Mark Carney left the impression he’d been converted from environmental zealot to missionary for an Energy East pipeline. He said he would use all the federal powers, including the emergency powers, to accelerate the projects we need to build the economy and take on the Americans. (That would be the same economy that floundered under his advice!)

Then 5 days later Carney told CBC those emergency powers wouldn’t apply to Quebec. The government of Quebec would have veto power over any pipeline to the east coast. To clear up possible confusion he repeated his pipeline veto pledge to Quebec at the French debate for the Liberal Leadership.

b) Carney referred to a new direction under his leadership.

Does it mean the Liberals will now turn over the Green Slush Fund documents?

Canadians know that the Trudeau/Carney alliance led to economic harm, but Carney didn’t acknowledge it was his advice that failed. Carney now promises he will

do better. The promise sounds oddly familiar to a phrase made by the previous Liberal leader.

Trudeau and the Liberals with Carney's advice were given ample opportunities to get it right. Canadians don't have time for merely trying to do better.

Did the Liberals appoint a leader who will act in the best interests of Canada or one who is skilled in the art of social manipulation?

In his acceptance speech as Leader of the Liberals, Carney referred to the incredible group of Liberal MPs we have.

Did he mean the group that nearly caused Canada's financial ruin, tolerated scandals and ethical violations, and ridiculed the rule of law?

Canadians have reasons for concern if that's the level of ethical behaviour he aspires to. Canada needs strong, principled leadership that understands and applies the principles that established Canada as a strong country.

No more excuses, no more third and fourth chances.

3. The American Experience

Regardless of one's opinion of Trump, his platform was transparent, and voters were informed before the election.

We saw the efforts made by his opposition to neutralize him and we heard the amount of money that was burned in the campaign to overcome him.

Despite the strength of the woke-ism he opposed, Trump affirmed a commitment to keep his promises.

Following years of unfavorable outcomes from the Biden/Harris policies, most Americans supported a candidate who promised to undo the damage caused by those policies, the open borders, steep inflation, unregulated immigration, and rising crime rates, all of which had negative impacts on the American economy and lifestyle.

Similar damages were caused by Liberal policies during the past 9 years. One must ask, Is it due to woke-ism? Or is it the work of global elitists?

Trump promised to cut the massive deficit and shrink the oversized government. He made no secret of his plan to utilize tariffs in his determination to redress the effects of what he regarded as America's exploitation.

His disdain for Canada might have roots in the similar, and unpopular philosophies Canada advanced for 9 years, the attack on natural resources, open borders, rising crime rates, bloated bureaucracy, and wasteful spending of funds under the heading of foreign aid, among others.

In yet another example of inappropriate behaviour, Trudeau recently chastised American voters for rejecting a female candidate and followed with his "I am a feminist speech."

Perhaps his White House visit soon after President Trump's inauguration prompted the subsequent announcement of harsh tariffs on Canadian goods.

4. What We Can Learn from the American Election

For those who regarded Kamala Harris as rather vacuous, their concerns were justified by her campaign or lack of it. She spent over a billion dollars but provided little in the way of a platform.

We see the similarity in the Carney approach. Harris' opponent presented a solid platform, and Harris then adopted the issues as her policy.

The Liberals are using the campaign to focus on how capably Carney will deal with Trump. Don't be fooled, voters should avoid being distracted. Canada needs a government that deals with Canada first.

As Trump noted, there are enemies from within, and from without. Bad policy and bad government are our enemies from within. After they are dealt with, Canada will be stronger to deal with the enemy from without, the tariffs.

Canada will benefit when it is strong and able, not as the weakened entity it is after 9 years of Liberal ruin.

5. The Liberal Response to Trump

Brian Lilley, writing for the Toronto Sun, described the Liberal attacks on Trump.

Among his notable comments were, "New ads take personal shots at Trump as the Liberals try and score points against Poilievre, it's a dumb move."

He continued, “The Liberal Party simply can’t help themselves, they always put their party before our country.

In the middle of a crisis where Canada’s economy is facing the prospect of crushing tariffs, the Liberals have released new ads attacking the American president to try and score political points against Conservative Leader Pierre Poilievre.

The Liberal ads comparing Poilievre to Trump are ridiculous because they aren’t true. They are dangerous because they run the risk of needlessly antagonizing the American president.

Great idea, piss off the guy in the White House currently making decisions daily about tariffs and other issues that can impact our economy and the jobs millions of Canadians depend on. Is it worth it to poke Trump in the eye as the Liberals try to take votes away from Poilievre if we suddenly have auto plants closing down or Canadian beef or pork shipments being blocked at the border?

You, the average Canadian, can suffer, can deal with uncertainty and unemployment as long as long as the Liberals continue to be the ones calling the shots in Ottawa.”

Lilley’s comments were made on February 19, 2025. Less than a month later, Carney announced he would show respect for Trump.

6. Getting it Right the First Time

In contrast, Alberta Premier Smith and Conservative

Leader Poilievre are among those who accept Trump as he is, while disagreeing with his decisions.

By taking a common-sense approach, they are laying the groundwork for a relationship that could reduce Trump's negative feelings and actions toward Canada.

7. When Words Speak Loudly

The height of hypocrisy is a government that creates crippling economic policies, then rebrands with a leader who championed those policies.

A leader who aided in the crippling of Canada's oil and gas industry invests in Brazilian pipeline projects.

A Party whose ads fueled attacks on Trump now professes respect for him.

Fasten your seat belts. Voters can expect to be treated to many similar examples during the campaign to hold onto power.

CHAPTER 12 – IT CAN BE FIXED

Can we hope to recreate the harmony, peace, and prosperity experienced by those who first settled and cultivated this land?

Although society has changed dramatically since the early 1900s, successful concepts remain. Hope overcomes fear, hard work overcomes economic disaster, and cooperation with and caring for neighbours overcomes divisiveness.

Complaining has never solved a problem. Facing problems head on has.

In domestic relationships based on power and control, there comes a point when they must end. The 2025 election is Canada's chance to break free.

Those who deal with interpersonal manipulation and control see the effect on loved ones. Children are powerless to change the situation, they must rely on one parent to end the unwelcome behaviour.

Likewise, individual voters can't stop the manipulation and control by government. They must rely on their countrymen to see through the tactics and end the unwelcome behaviour.

We can examine past methods and stated values to decide whether a person's words can be trusted. We

have the information to recognize the tactics of social manipulation and misuse of power.

We can return to a government that listens rather than tells. With a government working with, not against, Canadians, it can be fixed.

The only way to be sure – is to vote for another option.

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A recent ad, intended to diminish the opposition, said about Pierre Poilievre – “That’s just not Canada”.

Fortunately, the statement is correct. He is not the Canada the Liberals carved out during the past 9 years. Instead, he represents the Canada that promises prosperity, cohesiveness, and a good government that makes it a great place to live.

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The highly respected Dr. Jordan Peterson wrote:

“In closing, a warning to Canadians, hoodwinked into believing that Carney’s much-vaunted international experience makes him capable; makes him someone able, even less convincingly, to stand up to our erratic American compatriots to the south. Mark Carney, formerly of the Bank of England, has the patina of foreign-bestowed competence. In truth, however, he is a man with all the

flaws of Trudeau, and that's saying something. However, in his admitted networking, managerial and administrative prowess he presents far more danger. Our hapless previous Dear Leader was at least hamstrung in his pretension by his incompetence. Carney is as addled in his values as his predecessor, but much more efficient and unwavering in his implementation."

"Trudeau was little more than a globalist shill, shiny and attractive though he may have been. Carney is no such mean thing; no mere WEF infiltrator. He is instead a veritable globalist author, master-planner and leader, as he says (insists upon) himself."

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Conrad Black said it best in the March 15 National Post,

***"We must throw Carney out of office at
first chance***

***The Election must focus on [the] failures of
the Liberal government"***

To Readers

This work began as an explanation of social re-engineering policies and how they work. It ends with the hope that voters will stop being pawns in a game of control, that they won't be fooled or manipulated but will use their knowledge to cast an informed vote.

My goal is to inform, to draw attention to underlying, and often hidden, motives. Voters can rely on the power of information to understand the concepts behind power and control, social manipulation, and re-engineering, and how they can be applied in the political arena.

This work isn't a political analysis. It is a reminder of past events and a request to consider the motivations behind the actions.

With the understanding that a political party acknowledged the use of social re-engineering, and an understanding of the policy and how it's used, voters can make informed decisions about the direction they want for Canada.

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