# Some of the Problems with Bill C-51

#### New Powers for CSIS



Power to Act as well as Spy

CSIS was created to separate spying from dirty tricks (like RCMP burning barns)
Now CSIS can do dirty tricks both in Canada and in foreign states.

Power to Break the Law Even in a foreign state!

A warrant will be needed, but almost anything goes

#### Secret trials



Individuals will not have the right to know the case against them.

No cross-examination of informants.

Illegally obtained information can be used.

Security Certificates for us all?

#### Poor Oversight for CSIS



The Security Intelligence Review Committee is already weak: underfunded, only issues annual report on what has happened

Has whitewashed CSIS mistakes in the past (Air India)

No increase in oversight.

#### Criminalizing Dissent



We are assured in C-51 that lawful protest will be allowed but you can be charged with:

Interfering with Canada's "economic or financial stability." *Maybe by working to stop a pipeline?* 

Interfering with Canada's "critical infrastructure." Maybe by blocking a road or railway track to make a point?

"Undermining the security of another state." By criticising Israel or participating in a boycott of products?

#### • CSIS can share "intelligence"



Remember Mahar Arar who was tortured abroad because of false intelligence sharing by the RCMP and CSIS.

Now, information on individuals considered a terrorist threat by CSIS will legally share their speculation with foreign institutions.

#### Criminalizing "Promotion"



Anyone promoting an act of terrorism can be sentenced for up to 5 years.

Guilt is for promoting; the act does not have to occur.

What will be considered a terrorist act?

What would constitute "promotion"?

And much, much more

### MANY HAVE SPOKEN UP AGAINST BILL C-51

**Elizabeth May** 

**Thomas Mulcair** 

4 former Prime Ministers

**Privacy Commissioner** 

**6 former Supreme Court Justices** 

More than 100 Legal Experts

Academics

**Assembly of First Nations** 

**Amnesty International** 

**Globe and Mail** 

**National Post** 

Even—

**Rex Murphy** 

**Conrad Black** 

And many, many more including people like us.

Speak Up!
You are not alone!

Bill C-51 has been passed by the House of Commons and is now in the senate.



Work to stop C-51 in the Senate.



See www.stopbillc51.ca

# Tell friends and neighbors to oppose this bill.

Download pamphlet at www.nowar-paix.ca

### Make C-51 an election issue

Vote for candidates who promise to withdraw or repeal this bill if elected.



# STOP BILL C-51

(Read this pamphlet and understand why.)

## **PLEASE JOIN US**



## **RALLY ON MAY 30**

## MARCH FOR OUR RIGHTS! Stop Bill C-51

Saturday, May 30

2:00 pm Human Rights Monument Elgin Street near Lisgar

2:30 March through Market

3:15 Parliament Hill

"Those who trade freedom for security deserve neither!"

Benjamin Franklin