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!



Harper believed the Canadian Public would give up rights if he scared them enough.

He was wrong, but he didn't listen to us. Bill C-51 is now law in spite of citizen, NDP and Green party efforts.

Trudeau's disasterous decision to support this bill is hurting him in the polls. Many conservative voters also are against it, weakening Harper's position.

We must continue to oppose C-51 and keep it in the public eye. We must defeat Harper in the coming election and pressure the new government to repeal this and other laws restricting our rights.

KEEP UP THE PRESSURE!

- Attend rallies
- Sign petitions
- Tell MPs and Senators to withdraw
 C-51
- Write letters to the Editor
- Get involved in the election and vote
- Talk to your neighbors and show them this pamphlet.
 (Download at www.nowar-paix.ca)



C-51 was a <u>BAD</u> bill. It is now a <u>BAD</u> law!

(Read this pamphlet and understand why.)

WHAT CAN WE DO?

Make C-51 an election issue.

- Ask candidates to pledge to repeal C-51 – all of it. See stopc51.ca/
- Bring it up at allcandidate meetings.

Help get out the vote.

See canadians.org/democracy

WORK TO STOP HARPER!

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