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## Too late for Canada ... but it isn't too late for Venezuela and Venezuelans...

**VHeadline.com commentarist Oscar Heck writes:** I have been sick in bed for several days with a severe bronchial and sinus infection. I've not stepped outside, nor have I wandered further than the couch, the fridge and the bathroom. Since I have spent most of the last days lying down, propped-up on blankets and pillows, I have had the opportunity to watch plenty of Canadian television ... especially news and documentaries ... which is what I like to watch.

The recent news about Canada is reflective of what I have been predicting for several years now (*since 1998-99 when I investigated the softwood lumber industry in Canada*) ... and has brought up the question, "Should Venezuela aspire to be like Canada?" My answer is a definite no.

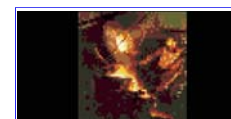
- *Canada, once proud to be different from the USA, can no longer be so proud.*

Personally, I am very disappointed with Canada and with Canadians (*I am Canadian*). Canada is now an integral part of the USA, a zombie-like puppet of the US government, of its criminal military and of its repressive police forces, of its ruthlessness, of its rotting human values, of its materialism and arrogance. Canadians have allowed Canadian leaders to sell Canada off to the USA a bit at a time since "Free Trade" came into effect in 1996. There is no turning back now for Canadians. The bright, independent and humanitarian pride that came stamped along with the Canadian passport is no longer there. Canadians are now, "Americans." From now on they will have to walk the world in shame. It has already begun.

**Canada recently elected a new (minority) right-wing, conservative prime minister, Steven Harper. Since then:**

- Canadian television has been swamped with government advertising for new army recruits. I don't remember ever having seen this type of massive army/military recruiting campaign in Canada. It is very disconcerting, particularly in light of the fact that Harper openly supports Bush's military aggressions in Iraq and Afghanistan.
- Harper visited Canadian troops in Afghanistan and basically repeated Bush's rhetoric on the need to do "war against terror" and to "fight for democracy." Canada has traditionally been involved in peace efforts, not in war efforts. The Canadian military is now directly involved in the US-created war against the Taliban in Afghanistan. Harper supports this war effort.

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- Harper has been using the expression, "[God Bless Canada](#)," ... a carbon-copy of US rhetoric ("God Bless America"). This is something new to Canadians ... few Canadians would ever even dream of a phrase such as, God bless Canada. Why has Harper come up with this bizarre phrase? It is very spooky, very creepy. Does he really believe that God should "bless" Canada? If so, which God? His or mine? Mohammed's or Sharon's? Bush's or Saddam's? Harper is up to something. He sounds too much like Bush.
- Canadian military shot and killed an innocent young Afghan man recently, claiming that they had to shoot because they feared the car he was in (with his family) was a suicide-bombing unit. It turns out that no one in the car was armed and there were no explosives in the vehicle. Afghans are now very angry, and rightly so. Until recently, the Canadian military was known worldwide to be a compassionate group ... involved in re-construction projects, education, medical assistance and other humanitarian roles. No longer. Now we Canadians assassinate innocent people ... just like the "Americans" ... in order to protect and promote freedom and democracy, of course.

Even the Canadian military in Afghanistan is now convinced that they are doing the right thing by joining with the US military in its active "war against terrorism." From now on Canadians will be perceived as "Americans." It has begun. Canadians, like the Brits, have made their choices (Blair and Harper) ... and it is very unfortunate.

One Canadian military person was recently attacked by a villager with an axe in a rural Afghan village during a Canadian military effort to "strengthen ties" (*my eye!*) between themselves and the village elders. The attacker was shot dead by the Canadian military and the injured Canadian soldier lies in a comatose state in a German hospital. More such attacks on Canadian soldiers and Canadians will occur ... and at an increasing rate.

Canada has begun its long and winding road toward US-style self-destruction ... and Venezuela certainly does not need to follow in Canadian footsteps. Venezuelans do not need to be hated worldwide like "Americans" are hated ... or like Canadians and Brits are becoming hated because of their support for the USA's violence, arrogance and criminal foreign policies.

**These last few days of television-watching has confirmed this to no uncertain degree.**

Canada has now joined the USA in its war efforts, which implies that Canadians support Bush. Canada's newly-elected prime minister has also appointed Michael Wilson to the post of ambassador to the USA (in Washington). Wilson was the finance minister under former conservative prime minister, Brian Mulroney. Both Mulroney and Wilson led the successful effort to bring USA-promoted "Free Trade" to Canada.

Since "Free Trade" took effect in 1996 Canada has slowly been selling itself off to giant corporations, mostly US-based ... while leaving behind millions of broken lives and families. Within a few years, little, if anything Canadian will remain on Canadian soil. Most of Canada will be owned by the USA and Canadians will have no choice but to be employees of "Americans." It is already happening at an alarming rate ... and Canadian politicians are doing squat to stop it ... and Canadians do not have the money to

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buy back what they already sold to the USA.

## It is too late.

A few days ago, Canada's oldest department store chain, the Hudson Bay Company (HBC), was bought-out by an "American" (Zucker). The new owner now wants to impose US-style capitalist "hard-ball" "business" tactics onto HBC. He wants to force HBC suppliers to take the risk on sales ... for example, ship the goods to HBC on consignment ... or use tactics such as "guaranteed consignments" (*which means that products which don't sell in the stores are returned to the supplier*) or "guaranteed margins" (*which means that suppliers are responsible for making up the difference between target and actual margins*).

- **This is where Canada is at today ... with no way out.** Canada is in the grips of the criminal and ruthless USA money-making, repression-making and oppression-making machine ... the dog-eat-dog, human-eat-human world of unbridled capitalism and materialism, where only money counts and ***nothing*** else does.

*This is precisely what Venezuela's Hugo Chavez is trying to avoid.*

Chavez is probably the only world leader who is fully aware of the the cancer which savage capitalism is to the world. He is probably also the only world leader who is actually doing something about it. Unbridled capitalism is a crime because its ***only*** goal is to make as much profit as possible, regardless of the method. If you think about it, the highest degree of capitalism is theft ... which produces the most profit with the least effort and expense.

I was watching as Canadian police took an older woman away to the police station for a crime she had committed. She was calm ... yet they handcuffed her. I asked my wife why they handcuffed her. She replied, because for the last several years now the Canadian police (*and military*) are being trained by the USA. This is sickening to me. Every day, Canada is seeing more US-style police repression. It boggles my mind. What happened to the humane treatment of others which Canadians were so proud of? (*In the past, police would only handcuff violent people.*) I also noticed this US-style repressive attitude at the Montreal airport recently ... and it shocked me ... it sickened me. Many of the airport security people are now dressed like heavily-armed, mean-looking US highway-patrols ... and they act like US police people, arrogant, condescending ... toting their superiority complex (*and intellectual lackluster*) around for everyone to see. This is disgusting and completely non-Canadian. Hey ... but Canadians have allowed themselves to be just like "Americans."

**This is what Chavez wants to halt ... the infiltration and integration of US-style police/military repression and inhuman social values within Venezuelan soil, within Venezuelan society ... something that Canada has failed at miserably.**

A few months ago, Chavez kicked out US military/police personnel who were involved in Venezuela/USA cross-training or co-collaboration efforts. If I were Chavez, I would kick out all US military and police personnel operating or visiting in Venezuela. I would cancel all Venezuela/USA military, security or police training or information-sharing programs. If Chavez doesn't do this now, it may be too late in the future. Venezuela does not need to become another Canada, another willing US collaborator, another loser,

another country composed mostly of materialistic, pro-USA people who have allowed their leaders to sell Canada off to the USA a bit at a time ... who have allowed US methods and values to infiltrate Canada and to be served up as part of the daily Canadian menu. Canada has lost its identity, it has lost its human nature, its sovereignty. It has lost its economic independence and will soon lose its military and geographical independence. Canadians will soon have to travel like "Americans," continuously fearing being kidnapped or killed or mugged or laughed at. The little lapel Maple Leaf will have to be left at home. It has lost its honor and its humanity. It has lost its meaning. Canadians have lost their human values ... just watch Canadian television for proof ... almost all programs are US-produced and are about violence, rape, murder, dismemberment, theft, deception, lies, incest, etc. See what Canadians ingest: McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King, Coke, Starbuck's ... and a whole lot of other mass-processed food from thousands of other US-based restaurant franchises which have hijacked the Canadian landscape.

- The news also related facts about child pornography and sexual violence against babies and children in Canada, the USA, Europe and Australia. It is reported to be an ever-increasing problem. How can that be? How can child molestation, child rape and child torture be on the increase? Why? And why is this an increasing problem in the "civilized" world? I believe I know why. (*If you dare to "touch" a child in most any other "non-civilized" part of the world, you will be lynched in public ... and the police will quietly watch as you suffer your deserved fate.*)
- This morning, the police in Montreal took a wife-beater for a brief court appearance ... and this afternoon he was set free until his next court appearance on May 4. Until then, he has a court order to not approach his spouse (*she was very badly beaten ... and was pregnant at the time*). I am quite sure the woman will be found dead in the coming weeks or days. Every year in Canada hundreds of innocent women and children are either maimed or assassinated by violent husbands who are released on "conditions" awaiting trial. This is what Canada has become.

## Is this what Venezuela needs?

In the Canadian system (*like in the USA*), suspected criminals awaiting trial for rape (*for example*) can be set free if they have the money to post bail. In other words, if you have the money, you will be allowed to roam free until your next scheduled court appearance. If you don't have money, even if you are awaiting trial for a petty crime such as shoplifting, you will remain jailed. It is money that counts, not the severity of the crime or the reason behind the crime.

Crime is like like poverty. Charity does not solve the problem of poverty. Charity is based on money ... because money is the only thing that most people in the "civilized" world seem to understand. But, poverty has nothing to do with money ... and this is perhaps why most people in the "civilized" world do not know how to solve poverty. To eradicate poverty, one has to address the reasons why poverty exists. Charity only promotes poverty ... just as bail promotes crime. In many a "civilized" person's conception it is the money that counts (bail), not the lives of the potential victims who could be seriously injured or killed because the accused is free on bail while awaiting trial. It is providing charity (money) to the poor that is important, not the reasons why poverty exists. For the most

part, the value of human life and the respect of others no longer matters here in Canada. Only money matters ... just like in the USA.

**Venezuela does not need to become another Canada. Canada has become a clone of US inhumanity, of US materialism and of its love for police and military repression and violence.**

*It is too late for Canada and for Canadians ... but it isn't too late for Venezuela and Venezuelans.*

- Do not accept "Free Trade."
- Kick out all US military and police operatives and cancel all police/military/intelligence agreements with the USA.
- Cancel all military, communications and high-tech espionage equipment contracts with the USA and its manufacturers and "consultants."
- Kick out all US-based (*and now, UK and Canadian-based*) "missionaries" from Venezuelan territory. Many are CIA operatives. I know. I worked with them in the 1970's in Venezuela ... until I found out I and others were being used to spy on certain Venezuelans and provide related information to our US-based "spiritual leader."

**Venezuela should learn from the mistakes which Canada has recently made ... mistakes from with Canada will be unable to repent for generations to come ... for as time passes ... Canadians, like the Brits, will become more and more targeted for retaliatory attacks.**

*I am ashamed to be called Canadian ... but I would be proud to be called Venezuelan.*

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