

nothing for children once they are born." She says pro-life Christians are "*anti-woman and anti-child,*" have views which are "*uninformed, sexist, cruel,*" and lack the ability to empathize which "*breeds intolerance, hate crimes, and war.*" Ms. Arthur says that the pro-lifer's attitude towards women is like "*the slaveholder's attitude to blacks, and the Nazi's attitude to Jews.*"

The government of Canada should be taking no part in spreading this sort of bigotry. Please ensure that any current funding to Pro-CAN ceases immediately and that no future taxpayer money be given to this group. And please have your department issue a public apology to all Christians and pro-life Canadians because of your department's financial support of this hate mongering organization.

You might also not be aware of your department's abuse of taxpayers' dollars in the large grant of almost \$325,000 given to the Canadian National Coalition of Experiential Women (CNCEW), which is actively campaigning to decriminalize solicitation for prostitution. CNCEW president Cherry Kingsley in February told a House of Commons subcommittee studying the existing solicitation laws that her group wants "*the immediate decriminalization of sex workers*" with no regulations being imposed on them by government. In contrast, REAL Women of Canada, which receives no government funding, testified the same day that prostitution exploits women and has a detrimental effect on children, and they called for better social programs to help prostitutes leave the streets.

Minister Frulla, your department claims to promote gender equality, but by promoting an extreme ideology which is by no means shared by all or even most Canadian women, your department is failing to support equality amongst women themselves.

I await your assurances that you will move to cut funding to the above-named groups and all groups which discriminate against anybody who does not share their extreme, anti-religious, anti-family, and anti-pro-life views. I also look for your assurance that, in future, funds will be allocated in such a way that Canadian women oriented towards a pro-life, pro-family, Christian ethic are not excluded from receiving funds from Status of Women Canada. And finally, I await your department's public apology to all Christians and pro-life Canadians for the department's having contributed financially to the spread of Pro-CAN's hate-filled message.

Sincerely,



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