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THE GALLOPING BEAVER

A TAIL DRAGGING ROMP THROUGH THE SWAMPS OF THE WORLD

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14, 2010

Toews' Terrorists

I've been watching with disgust Vic Toews spew his **rotten rhetoric about "terrorists"** into the ship load of Tamil migrants now being dutifully processed by Border Services and Immigration people. I don't know what exactly it is about the dark-skinned, usually desperately poor "other" that froths up Conservative mouths and minds, but it is ubiquitous. Australia saw the same thing around **MV Tampa** nine years ago and their resident nativists hissed and spit and sputtered invective. I suppose it's something that the government hasn't made a big show of grossly mis-deploying the ~~SASR~~ JTF-2 to show Toew's terrorists we mean business and direct them to hasty camps on a rock in the Beaufort Sea.

Nonetheless, it is a sordid affair and reeks of selective outrage. I'm listening to CBC radio news talking about 70 000 disappeared Tamils at the hands of the government during recent civil war. You know, the sort of thing that we use to justify massive military interventions. But no, because we had to pick a side in that civil war, the Sri Lankan government are the good guys and the other side, the militant Tamil Tigers and by inference all Tamils became the bad guys. So the mollycoddled and comfortably provincial Toews and his government gets to project reeking bile about people coming from lifeworlds that are beyond their addled imaginations and a entire astral plane beyond anything they are ever likely to endure. Rewind the clock 35 years, and they'd be South Vietnamese and he'd be all about how welcoming Canada must be for these victims of Communism. Remember when we used to call them boat people and refugees? Victims of war? Not criminals, people smugglers and terrorists.

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GIVEN A CHOICE, WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING WOULD YOU RATHER SEE BANNED?

The Niqab, a traditional Muslim woman's face covering
Low slung baggy trousers that often rest on the floor
Neither.
Both.

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In that light, it is worth reading [Eugene Forsey's commentary](#).

...But what does one say of people who consciously, cynically, whip up unfounded racism and xenophobia simply as a way of deflecting attention from a government's manifold failures? Is it better or worse if they are "honestly" racists, or simply pretending to be such as a way of cynically achieving a short-term political goal? Tough question. One way or another, they are really, truly the scum of the scum of the scum bubbling up from the shit of the parasites that feed on cockroaches. And I'm probably too kind. This is truly evil, almost unimaginably so for me. The people who are doing this are beyond excuses and beyond redemption. They are completely undesirable. They are unCanadian. According to their own supposed illogic, the right response would be to strip them of their citizenship, bundle them in tight unsanitary quarters on a slow ship to Sri Lanka, and have them be held in Tamil internment camps, and "interrogated" by the Sri Lankan authorities. If they're lucky, they won't be killed. Or maybe that would be too kind an end: long-term internment like that of the victims of their cynical racism might be a worse and more worthy fate for these amoebae of the underworld of the soulless.

God help us, that our politics and media are come to this. If I could resurrect their parents, or find those that are living, I'd like to have them understand just how evil their children have become, and force those children to sit and absorb the judgment of the parents and grandparents. That might be worst of all. Who. Are. These. People? W. T. F.

Almost nothing is bad enough for them. God damn them to hell. And I mean that.

Yes. Exactly.

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CanNurse

Thank you for this! They've now taken children into Custody of BC Children's ministry, making them wards of the state? But won't explain why? And some migrants – & this they announce as the good news?! – have already been transferred to prison!?!?

I hold the CONservatives in the deepest CONtempt! How about these hypocristians ask themselves , "What would Jesus do?" How can they stand to sleep at night?!

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Liked by ck



ck

what the hell? The kids are being placed in group and foster homes? What? the parents are deemed unfit already? Wow! That was fast.

I work for youth protection in Montreal and we usually don't usually make decisions to remove kids from their families so lightly or so quickly (unless, of course, the kid's life is proven to be in immediate danger, or the kid has been arrested not for the first time; 24 hour hold before court; that sorta thing). My Gawd! despicable!

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By the looks of video reports, the people were treated with compassion and respect. Vic General opened the recently closed Emerg and staffed with volunteers from the health professions. The immigrants looked very weak on the

gangplank, but reports are that most were healthy.

It doesn't take much digging to find that these people are genuinely in need of refuge and its worth finding out if Tamil Tigers aren't really the good guys in this story.

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Liked by  croghan27  Alison



croghan27

I must say that I was delighted when I heard that upon learning that a small ship filled with refugees was coming and the first reaction was to prepare hospital serves for them in case of illness.

Despite many cro-magnon opinions in the comments sections of the papers - that was the 'official' response. They were not shipped off to a 'rock in the Beaufort', nor were they turned abruptly back.

Ya know, dem Canadjuns ain't so bad after all.



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Edstock

Reading the comments on the CBC and the G&M sites, one gets the impression that there sure are a lot of mean-spirited Canadians out there. Sad.

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This surprises you?

Did you read some of the comments following stories such as the death of Mario Lague, when Jack Layton first announced he had cancer or when Helena Guergis and her assistant were in a car crash? Now some of those commenters were downright evil!

I'm afraid that Canadians are becoming not much better than the tea-bagger hit parade south of the border.

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ck
Welcome to the new conservatism where if you ain't white living behind white picket fences, eating white wonder bread, you're a terrorist thug! No trial; lock 'em up or throw 'em out!

And folks wonder why I'm embarrassed to be Canadian these days.

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Dr.Dawg
Here, here!

Well done by you and EFL, whom I normally have little time for.

But I take exception to this:

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Racism. Pure and simple.
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