Will This Happen Here In New Bruswick?

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...yet we are forced to support bilingualism to the tune of \$BILLIONS annually. The media tries to keep these articles low key from Canadians outside Quebec. WAKE UP Canadians before the Quebec flag reigns supreme.

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Subject: Fw: Racism, bigotry alive and well in Quebec, Canada.

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Ministers and Mr. Graham,

So, this is how Official Bilingualism is supposed to work? (See the article below)

Oh! This occurred in the City of Montreal, and is "not under your jurisdiction". Or is it? Other towns and cities across the country seem to be.

You force-by-law the French language on the majority English-speaking population of the Rest of Canada (ROC), at our expense. (Now in excess of \$1.2 TRILLION) But an English-speaking foreign student can't ask for the time of day without being subjected to Quebecois bullying and bigotry, even to the extent that an entire busload of passengers were expelled by the bus driver and police. No English! It is the law, they said.

Well, Canada has many Bad laws about language, and this is but one of them. Is there any question that this kind of oppressive discrimination and bigotry would be seen occurring in any other Western Democratic nation? Even in Pakistan?

"Only in Canada, eh"!

Yes, we have language laws, and most certainly they are for the benefit of only one minority — The French-speaking Quebecois. The laws very obviously do not apply to the English-speaking minority in Quebec. That is because a small group of racist French Quebecois politicians were allowed to take over Canada's Parliament 40 years ago. Their legacy of evil continues to this day, as the present government and opposition parties promote and fund the French language outside Quebec.

HELLO! The total French population of Canada is only 22% of our 33 Million! Outside Quebec it is less than 4%!! And get this —- Only 17% of Canadians consider themselves to be bilingual, an increase of less than 1% over the past 20 years!! And most of them are Quebecois. How stupid is this Official Bilingualism?!?!

It is also because the English Canadians' Parliamentary Representatives have conducted themselves

as political cowards and traitors to the majority English-speaking Canadians for the past four decades, by allowing these specious language laws to continue to expand their discrimination into Provincial, and Municipal jurisdictions, and even into the private business sector.

You and your predecessors have destroyed my Canada and the country of my forefathers. The latest example, below, heaps even more disgrace and infamy on you!

My cause is Canada. I mean to challenge anyone bent on damaging or destroying my country. When I perceive parliamentarians and bureaucrats doing so, I must speak out.

WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY FOR YOURSELVES? Anyone dare to respond?

Call Me Canadian!

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Montreal bus driver celebrates 40 years of official bilingualism by throwing English-speaking atermar passenger off her bus

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After a passenger asked her for the time in English, a Montreal bus driver called the police and ordered all twenty passengers to get off her bus. Her supervisors defended the action because, while English and French have been Canada 's two official languages for exactly forty years, French and French alone is the official language of the province of Quebec.

Last week the driver of a no. 66 bus in Montreal expelled passengers when one of them asked her for the time in English

The passenger, Muhammed Ahmad Munir, a Pakistani graduate student at McGill University who has only been in Canada for a few months, speaks English, Urdu, Punjabi, and Arabic. He has learned to say, "Bonjour," but he still hasn't mastered "Quelle heure est-il?" or any of the other French phrases required for negotiating the city's public transportation system. When the driver answered Munir's question in French, he replied that he didn't speak French, and she responded in English, "I don't speak English." According to Munir, "I then told her that she just showed me that she does speak English, and that's when she really got angry." The driver, apparently alarmed by her "aggressive" Muslim passenger, called the cops, cleared the bus, and warned the bus behind her not to pick up any of her stranded passengers.

Although he is investigating the incident, Michel Labrecque, the head of the Société de transport de Montréal, defended the driver's action because "French is the language of work" in Québec. Labrecque acknowledged that many bus drivers are bilingual, and that bilingual drivers tend to be placed on routes covering tourist areas and the English-speaking suburbs. But he also insisted that it would be against the law to require any of the drivers to actually speak English even if they can, "Ata, c'est interdite."

Forty years ago this month Canada passed the law making English and French the nation's two official languages and giving every citizen the right to be addressed by federal employees in either one. A recent poll timed to coincide with this anniversary found that overall, 59% of Canadians think that

bilingualism has been successful. In addition, reports suggest that most residents of Montréal are content to leave the language politics to politicians. They manage to get along just fine with one another, whatever language they speak: "In everyday community life, language problems are the small change of cosmopolitan co-existence, and Montrealers take them in stride. Even at times of heightened language tension, the friction tended to show up at the political level, while neighbourhood life mostly remained serene."

But that poll on attitudes toward bilingualism also found that 92% of Quebecers believed that services in Montréal must be available in both languages, something which the incident on Bus 66 shows not to be the case. That's because in 1977 Quebec passed loi 101, la charte de la langue française, which makes French the province's sole official language and establishes an Office of the French Language to enforce its various provisions:

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