

10 Reasons to Stop Harper

- 1) Loss of around 400,000 jobs as well as deep cuts to housing, healthcare, childcare, and education under the guise of austerity.
- 2) Banks get bailed out, greedy corporations get hefty tax cuts, and CEO bonuses soar by 20%.
- 3) Denial of climate change and resource extraction on Indigenous lands including the Alberta Tar Sands.
- 4) Privatization of water, housing, transit, and postal services.
- 5) Profit-motivated trade agreements with Colombia and Israel.
- 6) Military missions and occupations in Afghanistan, Libya, and Haiti, as well as support for Israeli apartheid.
- 7) Doubling the budget for policing and prison expansion.
- 8) An aggressive anti-refugee campaign and fear-mongering.
- 9) Attacks on organizations promoting sexual liberation and cuts to women's advocacy groups by over 40%.
- 10) Corruption with convicted frauds like Bruce Carson and oil lobbyists as Harper's top aides.

No One Is Illegal, Power to the People

We believe that the immigration system is inhumane. Many of the reasons that force people to move are related to the agendas of large corporations and the foreign policy of dominant world powers. Although they are told they are undesirable, migrant and non-status workers allow industries to reap high profits. We believe that no person is worth their value in money or labour. Such ideas are based on an economic system that exploits humans and the environment. It is reinforced by racism, where people from the Third World and Indigenous people within Canada are seen as less worthy. No One Is Illegal is a group that aims to transform global inequality. We oppose immoral immigration policies, war, violence against women and sexual minorities, poverty, and environmental degradation. Like you, we believe in a world based on justice.

Give Harper, Kenney, and the Tories the Boot!



An overwhelming majority hates the Conservatives but may feel hopeless or apathetic in the face of it all. However we must refuse to be silent in the face of deepening austerity, job losses, environmental destruction, military occupations, and corporate greed.

"Because the machine will try to grind you into dust anyway, whether or not you speak." — Audre Lorde

We need to come together to organize at the grassroots against the Harper regime. Parliament will not give us justice. It will be won, as historical evidence shows, by courageous and tireless people organizing for change in their own communities. We must build strength in attaining our vision for environmental justice; a world free of militarization; workers rights and income equity; migrant justice; Indigenous self determination; housing, childcare, education, food & public services for all; and gender, queer, disability & reproductive rights.

We encourage you to join us in our *People v. Jason Kenney* Campaign. Kenney is known as the Minister of Censorship and Deportation because of his record as one of the most repressive immigration ministers. Join us, spread the word, and act now.

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Say No to Immigration Minister Jason Kenney!

"I plead guilty. I am a racist"
- Jason Kenney, Montreal 2009



KENNEY SAYS: Canada accepted a record number of immigrants.

REALITY: False. Family class immigration has dropped by 10,000 (15%) under the Conservatives, while the number of skilled worker visas has decreased by about 20%. On the other hand, the number of temporary workers is up 30% and for the first time Canada received more people on temporary work permits than as permanent residents. Migrant workers are basically cheap labour who serve business interests, have no rights, and are under constant threat of deportation.

KENNEY SAYS: Canada has a generous refugee system.

REALITY: Nope. Canada accepts under 20,000 refugees per year, less than 0.1% of the world's displaced. A UN report indicates that the number of asylum applications to Canada has fallen 30%. At the same time, deportations have skyrocketed by 50%. According to Kenney, the number of approved refugees has dropped by 56%. In 2010, there were 8,466 Pre-Removal Risk Assessment applications made by asylum-seekers, but only 89 were approved.

KENNEY SAYS: We must crack down on 'illegals' and 'smugglers'.

REALITY: Reject Bill C4. Migrants are not "illegal" because they arrive on a boat. As established in the law, there is no "queue" for refugees since they are fleeing danger, nor are there penalties on arriving irregularly. Given restrictive border policies, many refugees have no choice but to resort to smugglers. As many scholars have noted, smuggling operations are life-saving. By today's standards, the Underground Railroad would be a smuggling operation!

KENNEY SAYS: Immigrants must not be a drain on our resources.

REALITY: Let's see through this divisive strategy to isolate migrants who live, work, and love alongside us every day. Due to barriers including lack of accreditation of degrees and racism in the workplace, many immigrants are pushed into low-wage and dangerous industries. Migrant and undocumented workers pay taxes but are denied benefits including EI and social assistance. Scapegoating migrants lets the government off the hook. All residents receive inadequate access to necessary public services because of government priorities to bail out banks, subsidize corporations, and sink billions in the police and military.

YOU SAY: It isn't our problem. Canada cannot take in everybody.

REALITY: Immigration issues are not simply about Canadian generosity. We need to rethink what function and whose interests the border actually serves. The trends of global migration reveal the patterns of Western domination and corporate globalization that force people from their lands and communities. We must remember that Canada is built on the theft of Indigenous lands. On what basis is a colonial government denying people their right to livelihood? No one is more worthy to a life of safety and dignity.



The People v. Jason Kenney
Freedom to move
Right to stay, and to Return
We are many.

Kenney is also a supporter of the occupation of Afghanistan and defends the occupation of Palestine. He pulled Canada out of the World Conference Against Racism; introduced a citizenship guide that omitted the rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and queer communities; and defended Quebec Bill C-94 that discriminates against women who wear the niqab. Learn more on our website and take action in the *People v. Kenney* Campaign.