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Canada on the Auction Block

When is this auction going to stop?

The Government is selling the land that our fathers fought and died for with the hope to give their families a better future. Some of our brothers and sisters are still fighting a war that is so far away from home that I ask myself, "Should we bring them back home".

The war should not be where we will not make a difference. It should be here at home against our own government that is letting foreign companies like Vale Inco bully their way here and rape our homeland of its wealthy resources. They are loyal to no one but the corporation. If our government let's this go on, they will turn our beautiful country in what will eventually become a Third World Country.

I say, bring the army back and let them protect our country. The way I see it, the government is spending so much money on wars that they know they cannot win and they are losing the war in their own country.

Think about this for a minute! If all the money that we are spending on a war that the USA has created, "We all know that it was all bull#\$%^ to start with". Let's say we would have used that money to keep companies in Canada, we would be in really good shape. No way had the government wanted this.

Instead they let companies leave this country and move to Mexico after getting millions and millions of our money in tax breaks. Will our unemployment go sky high year after year? Billions of dollars go to a war which we cannot win and zero dollars for keeping our good paying job in Canada. "I don't get it".

Brothers and Sisters: just look what's happening across the street. Vale Inco is showing their true colors! Those are the companies we should be at war with!

Like a grinding stone they will wear us down to eventually become a third world country. We need to fight back like we never did before. The CANCER is in our Country and we need to cure it.

I will never understand the people that work so hard for these corporations to poison the country that their own children live in unless they are millionaires and can afford a good life for their kids. It seems to me that they do not understand what they are part of.

Jesus said on the cross, "Forgive them for they know not what they do". Well my friends, it sounds familiar to me. We have a contract coming up. I know for a fact that our Union is going in to this with a fair attitude. They heard the membership loud and clear. Xstrata – it's time to show your true colors! I hope that they are bright and shiny.

In a world of competition, we all need to work together and use all our energy to work smarter than the competition. Vale Inco is doomed! They will never recover. Let's be smart! Do not under estimate our members (If provoked we will strike!).

I leave you with this.

"Organizations need to understand that such things as employee loyalty and morale are quite relevant to their success. They must learn to value people in new ways to allow them to connect their dreams and desires with what they do at work". *Dave Trickett, Chairperson, the New Academy of Business*

"All organizations need to adapt to changing conditions, but if they lose sight of the need to treat people humanely and respectfully, they will forget that it is not just organizations and programs that need to change, but the people make them happen". *Kenneth Cloke and Joan Goldsmith, Thank God It's Monday*

Guy Sonier
See you at the next meeting.