

GR Radio: Canadian Foreign Policy Under the Microscope

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"There were eleven people that were tasered, two of the MPs were tasered, and um, two senior citizens were tasered...I saw them being dragged along the floor after they went down... It was a pretty upsetting scene to see this happen."

-Jim Manly, passenger of the Freedom Flotilla Ship "Estelle"

In this installment of the Global Research News Hour, we examine the direction Canadian Foreign policy has taken in recent years under the Harper Conservatives.

In Part 1 we begin with an interview recorded with Jim Manly shortly after his release from Israeli detention and his arrival back in Canada. Manly, a former Canadian Parliamentarian, travelled aboard the Freedom Flotilla ship Estelle which was transporting humanitarian items to the people of Gaza. Manly recalls his harrowing treatment at the hands of Israeli authorities after the Estelle was boarded and towed to an Israeli port. He shares his thoughts about what Canadians should be doing to correct an unjust state of affairs in Gaza.

Part 2 features Canadian foreign policy critic Yves Engler, who is on a cross-Canada tour of his recent book, "The Ugly Canadian: Stephen Harper's Foreign Policy". (Click here for more information)

Part 3 features Associate Professor Gus Van Harten of Osgoode Hall Law School in Toronto, who teaches Administration Law and International Investment Law. He discusses the concerns he has about a new investment pact with China known as the Canada-China Foreign Investment Promotion and Protection Agreement (FIPA) that could put Chinese corporate interests ahead of the democratic rights of Canadians in their own country.

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