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Steven Guilbeault

Hey. I heard you saying, to the wise and brave Rachel Gilmore, that Mark Carney is doing more harm to the environment than Stephen Harper did, and I wanted to write.

I've been arguing for a while now that Carney is implementing Harper's agenda.

Environmentally, obviously.

Selling off national services and institutions.

Extra harsh criminal law.

Extra harsh immigration and refugee law.

He's destroying parts of the public service related to facts and rights.

He's increasing secrecy, surveillance and weaponry.

Per Wikipedia, Harper appointed Carney to be Governor of the Bank of Canada in 2008, and invited him to enter politics as finance minister in 2012. Carney's reported response was effectively: "it's too soon." Fourteen years later, as Prime Minister, Carney is implementing Harper's agenda with a majority and a smile.

My point is I agree with you because of the evidence. I also wanted to acknowledge your bravery in talking about it despite party discipline.

But, I will add that it's not like the Liberal government under you and Trudeau was on the right environmental path either.

I remember looking at the proposed Oil and Gas Sector Greenhouse Gas Emissions Cap Regulations (published in the Gazette on 9 November 2024, nearing the end of your run as Minister), and being astonished by Table 1 in the Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement, which seemed to indicate that the entire regulatory scheme would result in reducing GHG emissions by less than 1% versus baseline by 2030-2032 (well above 2019 levels). How is that a productive use of tax-payer money and legislative power?

I'll stop there. You are right to be angry. I am also angry. We all deserve better.

In solidarity,

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François-Philippe Champagne

You've always seemed like a reasonable guy.

Please don't stake Canada's future on the following things:

- "generative" artificial intelligence
- extracting and shipping fossil fuels
- manufacturing and exporting weapons
- selling off national services and institutions.

I'm not sure how any of this seems like a good long-term idea to you. It is the obvious path to climate collapse, eternal war, wide-spread disease and poverty, and the inability to tell truth from slop.

How many obvious financial bubbles and unsustainable practices are underlying Canada's economy? I am genuinely curious how long your financial experts think this path will sustain.

Please do better than this, for our future.

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