



Canadian Friends Service Committee E-Newsletter

Nearly 200
Organizations
Issue Joint
Statement

**WITHDRAW
BILL C-2**

**STOP
BILL C2**

Endorse now: MigrantRights.ca/C2Statement/

Hundreds call for withdrawal of proposed government legislation

We joined almost 200 organizations in calling for the withdrawal of Bill C-2. We called for Canada to:

- Reject the US-style anti-migrant and anti-refugee agenda.
- Ensure equal rights, fair treatment, and non-discriminatory access to permanent resident status for all.
- Stop scapegoating migrants and refugees for the housing and affordability crisis.

- Uphold the Right to Asylum and due process in refugee determination by better resourcing the Immigration and Refugee Board.

There are many additional concerns raised by Bill C-2. [Read more and send your own letter via the International Civil Liberties Monitoring Group](#) (of which we are founding members).



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CFSC writes to PM to share peace and social justice priorities

A new open letter to the Prime Minister congratulates him on his election win and notes,

"Quakers are seeking transformative change, both within our institutions and in our society, for the common good of all people in Canada. As an organisation, Canadian Friends Service Committee has over 90 years of experience acting through practical assistance, research, education, and non-partisan policy dialogues to achieve change in our three program areas: Indigenous Peoples' human rights, peace, and transformative justice."

The letter goes on to highlight some peace and social justice priority areas. [Read the open letter.](#)

Guaranteed Liveable Basic Income

Major conference advances Guaranteed Liveable Basic Income in Prince Edward Island

CFSC took part in a major conference that draw Canadians from across the country to Prince Edward Island to discuss an exciting Guaranteed Liveable Basic Income pilot project. A [joint statement by participants](#), including CFSC, notes:

PEI has made historic strides toward ending poverty by committing to a [Guaranteed Liveable Basic Income](#) (GLBI) in partnership with the federal government. Since 2020, PEI's government and all legislative parties have voiced unwavering support for a basic income guarantee. After more than two years of dedicated work by economists, former MPs, policymakers, and advocates, a comprehensive and affordable proposal for a PEI GLBI demonstration project is ready to be implemented. This isn't just a theoretical plan—it's a practical, evidence-based solution that could transform the social and economic safety net...

The statement closes by calling on the governments of PEI and Canada to "seize this opportunity and launch the Guaranteed Liveable Basic Income demonstration project without delay."



The enemy isn't who you think it is

Have you ever thought about an argument from a long time ago, going over all of the details in your head? Maybe you got to a place of feeling angry or upset and the other person wasn't even there.

I've seen participants in our [peace skills workshops](#) doing this not only with past conflicts, but even with imagined future ones. People sometimes come into a session and explode about what another person will say and why that irritates them.

A great deal is going on here. There are [assumptions](#), [predictions](#), and of course wanting to maintain a positive [self-image](#) and social connections ([vital for survival and wellbeing](#)).

What does all this mean? When we're in conflicts, we might not just be up against a real person or situation. We might be up against our own imaginations. We might be doing much of the work to feel bad by ourselves.

[Keep reading on Psychology Today.](#)



Featured resource: Weekly tips for better conflicts

Our *Weekly tips for better conflicts* series has been running for almost 10 months now!

Each week we share one short tip to reflect on and practice if you want.

You can check out [all of the tips videos on YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...). You can also visit <https://QuakerService.ca/Tips> to watch the videos, read the tips in one PDF, or sign up to get a tip sent to you by email each week.