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Re: John W. Harmon

I am writing on behalf of John W. Harmon a fellow native from another territory, New Jersey, Delaware area. The Lenni Lenape are a legitimate native tribe from this area.

As a Heredity Chief of the Nepisiquit Watershed in Mi'Kma'Ki, our territory, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland etc. I welcome fellow native John W. Harmon into our territory Mi'Kma'Ki,. He has my consent to reside in present day New Brunswick (my territory) for the following reasons.

Consensus Facit Legem - consent makes the law between the parties, which can acquire force only by consent.

quote: Pam Palmater- "The Supreme Court of Canada in Gladue said you have to stop imprisoning First Nation People, we're being imprisoned more, not less. This would also apply to our mobility rights. This restriction to move freely across," what is artificial borders for natives" is what Bill C-51 framers claimed would not happen. Bill C-51 is blatant, overt, and systematic racism and disproportionate application of the law in a negative way against First Nation People. What that does is propagate more racism against First Nation People as if we're all criminals in addition to terrorists."

What is terrorism? Fundamentally it's the denial of life, liberty, and security of the person. This bill isn't really about terrorism, but about preserving economic and power relations in Canada.

Doctrine of Discovery is a fiction based law which is harsh and permanent if pursued. This fictional Doctrine of Discovery, notwithstanding the existence of sovereign nations like the Mi' Kmaw and Maliseet nations, and for the courts to say, this is the source of Canada's sovereignty is to say you admit that native people were not human enough to possess their own sovereignty and that principle continues to pervade aboriginal rights jurisprudence today. Seems strange that aboriginal have to demonstrate that we were on our land first. Assuming sovereignty, without consent, over an already sovereign nation as a way of legitimizing the actions of colonialism in asserting property laws over already sovereign nations.

However extravagant the pretension of converting the discovery of an inhabited country into conquest may appear, it is hard to avoid the conclusion that they permit the government to unilaterally curtail the Indians contractual rights embodied in treaties.

We natives only recognize binding obligations which arise from consent. Equality and justice and respect for treaty rights need to be the priority. Respect for treaty rights need to be the floor of the relationship, not the ceiling for which we are forever striving.

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