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IS THERE ANYONE IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WHO CAN HELP US?

Who are we? We are the people who work, raise families, obey the law, pay taxes, and unfortunately live in the vicinity of the Ipperwash Army Camp.

Why do we need help? We need to feel safe in our homes. We need the security to know that our children will not be harmed when they go outside. We need to know that if we have to go to work that our homes will not be robbed and vandalized while we are away. As a working mother, I need to know that it is safe for my children to walk from their school bus stop to our home even if I cannot be there.

Why don't we feel safe? How can we feel safe in homes from which we were evacuated from last September because of the Indian uprising in Ipperwash? How can anyone feel safe in an area where there are repeated acts of random vandalism against homes and property? How can we feel safe, when the majority of these acts of violence can be traced back into the old Army Camp, and the police tell us they cannot go in there? How can we feel safe when we hear that no one is in charge of the people occupying the camp? No one Federal, Provincial or Indian, will accept responsibility for the lawless behaviour emanating from a no man's land that is being used as a sanctuary for criminal activities in our communities. How can we feel safe, when we hear from our neighbours that they are tired of being afraid and have armed themselves?

How can we continue to teach our children that laws are made for all and they must be obeyed? That those who break the law will be punished, when they see, with their own eyes, that no one is being pursued, much less being caught and punished for wrong-doing.

Who can help us? The OPP can't - they aren't allowed to go onto Federal (or in this case) disputed, territory. The RCMP won't - they're too busy trying to keep Chretien from being attacked in his bedroom. The Army evacuated in the middle of the night when a group of Indians walked into the camp - so we won't get any help from them
UNLESS SOMEONE CAN GET THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT MAKE PROTECTION OF CANADIAN CITIZENS A PRIORITY.

**ARE YOU THAT SOMEONE ?
OR SHOULD I BE APPEALING TO THE UNITED NATIONS ?
OR PERHAPS OUR AMERICAN NEIGHBOURS ?**

