

Above: Map of suggested provinces and states to form DIAGOLON.

**PLAID ARMY** 

The "PLAID ARMY" was an online streaming-based channel produced by a network of content creators. PLAID ARMY content was often criticized for promoting views which some may interpret as offensive and has been banned multiple times across platforms. Creators within the former PLAID ARMY website include the "RAGING HUMANIST" (Jeremy MACKENZIE), "DEREK RANTS" (Derek HARRISON),

The PLAID ARMY website (plaidarmy.com) is no longer active. The content creators listed above continue to produce online content and at times have promoted DIAGOLON. MACKENZIE, HARRISON, have posted about their attendance at convoy events in Ottawa.



Above: PLAID ARMY logo

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** May 20, 2022 3:49 PM

To: Caron, Eliane Cuc: Ducharme, Lisa

**Subject:** RE: FPNI IMCIT Intelligence Assessment - DIAGOLON

Hello Eliane,

Just wondering if you have had a chance to review this product yet.

We are hoping to share this today if you approve.

Apologies for the tight deadline. If there are any issues, please let me know.

Thank you, Ashley

From: Chen, Ashley

Sent: May 20, 2022 9:17 AM

To: Caron, Eliane <Eliane.Caron@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Mendonca, Walter <walter.mendonca@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> Cc: Duheme, Michael <Michael.Duheme@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Flynn, Mark <mark.flynn@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Poloz, Adriana <adriana.poloz@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Efford, Sue <Sue.Efford@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Hanniman, Krista <Krista.Hanniman@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Ducharme, Lisa <Lisa.Ducharme@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; O'Hayon, Greg <Greg.OHayon@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Morawiec, Garrett <Garrett.Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Piamonte, Kandi <kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Lai, Anna <Anna.Lai@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Clarkin, Danielle <danielle.clarkin@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: FPNI IMCIT Intelligence Assessment - DIAGOLON

Good morning Eliane and Walter,

Please see attached IMCIT's Intelligence Assessment on DIAGOLON in response to a FPNS request for assessment. Should there be any questions, please feel free to reach out to FPNI IMCIT, or contact the product author (Kandi Piamonte, cc'd) directly.

Thank you,

Ashley Chen

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From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** June 24, 2022 10:14 AM **To:** Morawiec, Garrett

Subject: RE: .

Attachments: RCMP FPNI IMCIT - STA 2022-15 - Canada Day - FINAL - 240622 - PA AC.docx

Does this work? Added a sentence and modified the highlighted one.

From: Morawiec, Garrett <Garrett.Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: June 24, 2022 9:58 AM

To: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: .

## **Garrett Morawiec**

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From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** January 13, 2022 11:43 AM **To:** Little, Kristen; Kruk, James

**Subject:** RE: Briefing Accelerationism

I'm on it now. Lots of groups mentioned that we already know. Some emerging groups like Diagolon and QAnon networks are mentioned. I appreciated the background info about early accelerationist influence that cites time as a degrading concept and requiring a social reset (from Kali Yuga, Evola).

Q&A Sesh is starting now – anything you want to ask?

From: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: January 13, 2022 11:41 AM

To: Kruk, James <James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Subject:** Briefing Accelerationism

Did either of you attend it at 11? I got distracted editing something for G and totally forgot to join it 🗵

If you attended was it anything we don't already know?

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** September 8, 2021 9:14 AM

**To:** Little, Kristen **Subject:** RE: Diagolon

I haven't heard of ol' slashy yet but definitely sounds on brand for them. Not sure if you'd seen pics, but sometimes they post photos of their meetups and their hand gesture is an arm raised diagonally. Like if you took your arm, bent at the elbow, in front of you, and pointed it 45 degrees upwards. (but not raised with the whole arm like the Sieg Heil)

Am pretty sure this whole Diagolon thing started as a meme but they write about trying to "meme" things into reality, hence the Diagolon flag showing up at IRL events.

From: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: September 8, 2021 9:09 AM

To: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: Diagolon

Perfect stay tuned

Have you ever seen them refer to it as "old slashy"?

In one of the bigots group I saw that verbiage and it makes me think they are bringing those flags to the protest. If not, do you think that's a safe inference? Context is "OI' Slashy will be there waving proudly in defiance"

From: Chen, Ashley < Ashley. Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: September 8, 2021 9:08 AM

To: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: FW: Diagolon

Here va go ☺

From: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: July 14, 2021 8:50 AM

To: Chen, Ashley <<u>Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca</u>>

Subject: RE: Diagolon

Hey Ash!

The channels are REMVE + Conspiracy theorist in nature but not accelerationist and you're right no incitement of violence. Some of the usernames have racist references/photos in them but no criminality. Based on the content on the channels it looks like the main grievance is the perception of a "plandemic" and gov't control. There is likely some overlap with individuals/groups already on other social media platforms.

Hope this helps and you have a great day!

#### Kristen

From: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: July 13, 2021 12:01 PM

To: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: Diagolon

Hey KL,

Passing along some info and would love your insight (when you're done your course!!).

I came across this new group/concept by looking at that that made the comment about having security at the Freedom Rally for Canada Day. The concept of "Diagolon" appears to be based on a hypothetical separation of a select number of US states and Canadian provinces which identify as "freedom-loving" into its own country. I think most of this is hypothetical, satirical, maybe a little bit tongue-in-cheek or doing it for the memes.

I watched the user's YT video on it and he states he is trying to rally like-minded people together. Note that the groups are self-named as "bigot" groups. I do not see overt incitement of violence or hatred.

Ash

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From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** February 22, 2022 2:23 PM

**To:** Morawiec, Garrett; Kruk, James; Little, Kristen; Piamonte, Kandi

**Subject:** RE: FPNI - DIAGOLON - INDICATORS OF MOBILIZATION TO TERRORISM ASSESSMENT

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Saved here for reference:

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From: Morawiec, Garrett < Garrett. Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: February 22, 2022 2:20 PM

To: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Kruk, James <James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Little, Kristen

<kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Piamonte, Kandi <kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: FPNI - DIAGOLON - INDICATORS OF MOBILIZATION TO TERRORISM ASSESSMENT -

Yup, please do!

From: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: February 22, 2022 2:18 PM

To: Morawiec, Garrett <Garrett.Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Kruk, James <James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Little, Kristen

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Subject: RE: FPNI - DIAGOLON - INDICATORS OF MOBILIZATION TO TERRORISM ASSESSMENT -

This looks great! Can I save it on the shared drive?

From: Morawiec, Garrett < Garrett. Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >

Sent: February 22, 2022 10:55 AM

To: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Kruk, James <James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Little, Kristen

<kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Piamonte, Kandi <kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: FW: FPNI - DIAGOLON - INDICATORS OF MOBILIZATION TO TERRORISM ASSESSMENT -

Trying to get caught up, this was the PRO A product as a result of the chart.

From: Morawiec, Garrett

Sent: February 18, 2022 7:04 PM

**To:** Harvey, Sandy < Sandy. Harvey@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Rusk, Melissa < Melissa. Rusk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Vinette, Nathalie

< Nathalie. Vinette@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >; Bouchard, Annie < Annie. Bouchard@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >

Cc: Ducharme, Lisa < Lisa. Ducharme@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >; Poloz, Adriana < adriana.poloz@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >

Subject: FPNI - DIAGOLON - INDICATORS OF MOBILIZATION TO TERRORISM ASSESSMENT -

Evening,

Please find attached DIAGOLON - INDICATORS OF MOBILIZATION TO TERRORISM ASSESSMENT

Releasable to all LE.

Garrett

# **Garrett Morawiec**

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From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** June 29, 2022 4:13 PM

To:Ducharme, LisaSubject:RE: IMCIT STA

Attachments: RCMP FPNI IMCIT - STA 2022-15 - Canada Day - FINAL - 240622 - REL FVEY.pdf

Hi Lisa, please see attached the FVEY version of IMCIT STA 2022-15 with external references removed.

From: Ducharme, Lisa < Lisa. Ducharme@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: June 29, 2022 3:35 PM

**To:** Price, Liam < Liam. Price@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; FPNI IMCIT / PFRN ERCCI < FPNI\_IMCIT-PFRN\_ERCCI@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> **Cc:** Morawiec, Garrett < Garrett. Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Moreau, Brian < Brian. Moreau@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Chen,

Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: IMCIT STA

Hi Liam, we're on it. Also coming out with an NTL tomorrow. We'll ask for it to be approved for release to FVEYs as well.

Cheers, Lisa

From: Price, Liam < Liam. Price@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: June 29, 2022 3:33 PM

To: FPNI IMCIT / PFRN ERCCI < FPNI IMCIT-PFRN ERCCI@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

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Ducharme, Lisa < Lisa. Ducharme@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: IMCIT STA

Hi-

Is there a FVEY releasable version of IMCIT STA 2022-15 (or a more recent one)?

Just thinking that the allies may want/be interested in a version if Canada Day kicks off.

Thanks in advance.

LP

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- (2) <u>ipottawa@rcmp-grc.gc.ca</u>: INTERPOL Ottawa for International Law Enforcement assistance via the INTERPOL / EUROPOL Network

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** April 7, 2022 3:20 PM

To: Kruk, James
Cc: Little, Kristen

**Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 7 April 2022

## Some highlights:

- Canada First (CF) talks about attending the convoy protest in Ottawa: Good vibes, good speeches, big crowds. Canada is f\*cked due to "Bill 100" about the government's alleged authority to seize assets of protesters.
- They discuss other prominent protesters there who had interactions with police (the Frontenac-Lanark MPP, Diagolon leader) to conclude that "Canada is not free anymore".
- CF confirms he will be "back in Ottawa one day" nothing specific.
- The rest is just banter (rising inflation, but nothing political) and responding to livestream chats.

From: Kruk, James <James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Sent:** April 7, 2022 12:14 PM

To: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: Media Scan - 7 April 2022

Re: the America First livestream, I think you can find an archived version of it at cozy.tv/daltonclodfelter/replays/2022-04-05\_2

Posted on Tuesday, April 6 at 6:25 PM.

From: Chen, Ashley < Ashley. Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Sent:** April 7, 2022 12:04 PM

To: Kruk, James < <u>James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca</u>>; Morawiec, Garrett < <u>Garrett.Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca</u>>; Little, Kristen

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<a href="mailto:kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca">kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca</a> **Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 7 April 2022

## Anti-PHO:

• Open source: A few more convoy/slow roll-style protests throughout Ontario in April (Niagara, Orillia, Hamilton) flagged by James have been sent to O-Div and OPP. No significant updates on the public order side.

TRUCKERS WERE RIGHT: Freedom Convoy protest was legal, judge says, and Ottawa is now being sued |

# FarmersForum.com

• This above article claims that a lawyer for former NL Premier is suing the federal government for breaching charter rights over the vaccine mandates, and that an ON court judge sided with the convoy, citing: "When an injunction against honking horns was declared, the court also stated that 'provided the terms of this Order are

complied with, the defendents [sic] and other persons remain at liberty to engage in a peaceful lawful and safe protest".

o IMCIT Comment: Although there is no solid evidence presented in this article that substantiates the claims, the article is being circulated among anti-PHO circles with anti-government narratives.

## **QAnon/Conspiracy Theories:**

<u>Unmasking "Clandestine," the Figure Behind the Viral "Ukrainian Biolab" Conspiracy Theory | Anti-Defamation League</u> (adl.org)

- ADL is attributing the "biolabs in Ukraine" conspiracy theory to an American restaurant manager and Army National Guard veteran based in Virginia. Under the persona "WarClandestine", the individual tweeted on Feb 24: "China and Russia indirectly (and correctly) blamed the US for the C19 [Covid-19] outbreak," [...] "And [they] are fearful that the US/allies have more viruses (bioweapons) to let out."
- The biolabs conspiracy theory was picked up by and amplified by major media outlets including Fox News, leader of the America First movement, members of the Proud Boys, and Russian state news. "WarClandestine" was also interviewed by online conspiracy theorist Alex Jones under his real identity.

## REMVE:

Ottawa man, 62, charged with hate-related crimes | Ottawa Citizen

 OPS charged a man with a number of assault, disturbance, uttering threats, and mischief hate-related charges for targeting racialized patrons at a Barrhaven shopping area with racist, xenophobic, and sexist profanities on March 19.

https://twitter.com/ 'status/1511852991552258051

- The leader of CANADA FIRST is allegedly in Tennessee and appeared on a livestream with a member of AMERICA FIRST/Groyper network.
  - o IMCIT Comment:

#### **Environmental:**

Two arrests made following protest blocking Highway 1 in Revelstoke – Revelstoke Review

• REVELSTOKE BC: RCMP arrested 2 individuals and charged them with mischief for blocking a part of Highway 1 at the Columbia River Bridge yesterday. Reportedly 7 protesters from "Save Old Growth" parked 4 vehicles across the bridge between 0830-0910h.

Royal Bank of Canada Annual General Meeting of Shareholders Update (newswire.ca)

- RBC confirmed it is moving its AGM today to a virtual-only format due to a positive COVID case.
  - IMCIT Comment: This shift is being discussed in pro-Wetsuweten accounts as RBC executives being
    "afraid" to answer to Indigenous peoples and their grievances about pipeline projects. Wet'suwet'en
    hereditary chiefs are reported to be at a site in downtown Toronto where the RBC meeting was
    supposed to be held. (https://twitter.com/ /status/1512060685869584386)

#### **Global IMVE**

Hiltzik: Anti-vaxxers and their violent threats - Los Angeles Times (latimes.com)

• USA: American public health figures are reporting increasing violent threats, some of which mention "Nuremberg 2.0", from anti-vaccine group "America's Frontline Doctors" (possibly the inspiration for anti-PHO Canadian Frontline Nurses group). One top doctor reported anti-vaccine protesters surveilling her private residence and intimidating her near her office.

From: Kruk, James < James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Sent:** April 7, 2022 8:57 AM

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#### PHO - Canada

## Almost \$8M of 'Freedom Convoy' donations still unaccounted for, documents show | CBC News

"The convoy protest in Ottawa raised more than \$20 million over its three-week occupation of the city's downtown.

Court filings show how protest organizers spent their money, and how much of it remains unspent or unaccounted for."

## Freedom Convoy: Arson charges laid against second man in Lisgar Street fire | CTV News

"Police said there is no information indicating Wernik was involved in any way with the convoy protest, which was ongoing at the time."

## Steinbach school staff express safety concerns after disruptive protest - Winnipeg Free Press

"RCMP confirmed demonstrators attempted to gain unauthorized entry into the grades 9-12 school, including one student who was asked to leave the premises on five separate occasions after repeatedly attempting to enter the building.

IMCIT Comment: Article details incidents that happened in February 2022.

#### PHO - World

## Japan arrests four of 'QAnon'-style group for vaccine protest -media | Financial Post

"Four members of "YamatoQ," a version of the U.S. QAnon group, were arrested on charges they intruded into a Tokyo clinic, police were quoted by media as saying."

## 'People's Convoy' set to roll into Downtown LA - Daily News

"Organizers of Sunday's scheduled rally at Grand Park in downtown Los Angeles said several trucks would be parked at the location, with 10 to 20 more parked off-site."

## Nicola Spurrier spared from giving evidence in COVID vaccine mandate trial - ABC News

"Police have escorted South Australia's top health chief outside of the Supreme Court as she was mobbed by a group of anti-vaccine mandate protesters."

# Health Commissioner Vasan gets NYPD security after anti-mask protesters 'threaten his life' - New York Daily News (nydailynews.com)

"The NYPD is providing city Health Commissioner Ashwin Vasan with security after a horde of anti-mask protesters showed up at his home this week to hurl death threats and other invectives at him and his family, the Daily News has learned."

<u>Footage shows Dunedin Mayor Aaron Hawkins being verbally abused by anti-mandate protesters after being told to</u> leave the Octagon | Newshub

## **IMVE/Conspiracy**

## 'Incel' gets no-jail sentence for Manhattan bomb hoax (nypost.com)

"An internet provocateur who identified as involuntary celibate — or "incel" — skirted jail time when he was sentenced Wednesday for threatening to set off a bomb outside of a Manhattan restaurant where two women were dining last year. "

German security officials visit far-right extremists to warn them not to travel to Ukraine (thenationalnews.com)

#### Misc.

Hundreds claim 'woke agenda' in protest against Disney Studios in Burbank (foxla.com)

IMCIT Comment: There has been an explosion of anti-Disney sentiment lately, often violent in tone, from a movement that seems to be

Criminologist says 'thin blue line' patch not used for white supremacy in Canada | CTV News

Hate speech and death threats: Canadian academics harassed after criticizing Hindu nationalism in India | CBC News "Jangam is one of several Canadian academics whose work relates to India who say they are being harassed and threatened by diaspora groups for being critical of both the country's politics under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and Hindutva, the right-wing political ideology it espouses."

## James Kruk

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From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** May 11, 2022 11:52 AM

To: Kruk, James; Morawiec, Garrett; Piamonte, Kandi; Larson, Nathan; Warden, Andrew

Cc: Little, Kristen

**Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 11 May 2022

**Attachments:** 

#### Anti-PHO

Man charged with leaving fake horse head outside mayor's house | Calgary Herald

• Calgary man charged with one count of criminal harassment and one count of stunting with a motor vehicle after leaving a horse mask and anti-vaccine sticker outside the home of the Calgary mayor.

## Anti-Gov/Anti-Authority

- DIAGOLON de facto leader has shared images of a woman allegedly working for CSIS: "More confirmed CSIS agents (Vancouver) harassing people I know [...] So far we've doxed three agents (more to follow)." See screenshot
- The same individual also posted "Hey CSIS, what happens when very soon, I'm dead, and everyone knows it was you and the RCMP that did it?"
  - o IMCIT Comment:

#### Environmental

Montreal police investigating if anti-pipeline anarchists torched cars of RBC executive who was an ex-Tory minister | Montreal Gazette

 Service de Police de la Ville de Montréal (SPVM) confirmed they were investigating how a Jaguar and a Land Rover caught fire during the night last Wednesday. On Tuesday, police spokesperson Gabriella Youakim said police sent both vehicles to a specialized garage for analysis to determine if they were destroyed by arson.

## https://twitter.com/Gidimten/status/1524143569774137344

- A twitter account associated to the Wet'suwet'en protest camp stated that RCMP sent 4 vehicles and 8 officers "for an 11 minute snoop through camp."
  - o IMCIT Comment: Historically, solidarity protest activity on this issue tends to activate in reaction to police enforcement at the camp. There were no apparent arrests or charges laid from this incident.

## **ON Election**

https://twitter.com/Eatsfood2/status/1524379225075105792

Jagmeet Singh jeered while campaigning for Peterborough-Kawartha NDP candidate Jen Deck |

## ThePeterboroughExaminer.com

- NDP federal leader Jagmeet SINGH's appearance at a local NDP office in Peterborough was met with a small group of "Freedom" protesters who shouted "f\*ck communist pigs", "For our children we will fight for this country", "Traitor", "Not welcome", "Shame on you" and hashtags #ArrestJagmeet on social media. There are no reports of violence, however, one of the videos depicts an office staff member attempting to cover up a protester's sign with a NDP sign and there is some back and forth between the protester and the staff member. Among the protesters was the organizer for the Rolling Thunder event,
  - o IMCIT Comment: We may see other forms of protest activity leading up to the election, especially where high profile politicians make appearances in local ridings.

From: Kruk, James < James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: May 11, 2022 8:42 AM

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Cc: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: Media Scan - 11 May 2022

#### PHO - Canada

RCMP cleared border blockades without Emergencies Act powers, committee hears | CP24.com

"Extraordinary powers granted to police under the Emergencies Act weren't used to clear protest blockades at Canada's border crossings, RCMP Commissioner Brenda Lucki said Tuesday."

Alberta judge rules protest is not a private social gathering | Calgary Herald

"The Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms released a statement Tuesday saying Alberta provincial court Judge Michael Dinkel ruled that protests against public health orders aimed at curbing the spread of COVID-19 were not private gatherings."

Sask, government announces enhanced security presence for Legislative Building | CTV News

CSIS was concerned about extremist violence, recruitment amid Freedom Convoy: top spy | CBC News

""The concern we had with the convoy, at the outset and throughout, was the fact that we have seen in Canada, in other jurisdictions, violent extremists using these protests and demonstrations to engage in acts of violence, to recruit members, to be able to spread their ideology further, CSIS was also concerned about the risk of lone actors, who would "be engaged in violence spontaneously," Vigneault said."

Canadian online searches for far-right material increased during pandemic, MPs told | CBC News

""As Canadians spent more time online as a result of the COVID 19 pandemic and lockdown, the engagement increased. Searches for far-right content increased 19 per cent weekly during lockdown measures. In Ottawa, we tracked a 35 per cent increase after Ontario's state of emergency was declared.""

Ontario ice cream maker tarred by 'lies' from anti-vaxxers, this time after doctor's 'nice' tweet | CBC News

## PHO - World

<u>3 more YamatoQ members busted after disruption at vaccine site | The Asahi Shimbun: Breaking News, Japan News and Analysis</u>

"Tokyo police arrested three more members of the anti-vaccine YamatoQ conspiracy group on May 11 on suspicion of unlawful entry into a vaccination clinic in Shibuya Ward, according to investigative sources."

Bogus Ashley Bloomfield vaccine letter goes viral among US far right and QAnon followers - NZ Herald

"A fabricated letter, purporting to be from Ashley Bloomfield, the director general of health, has been circulating liberally on social media for almost a fortnight, having received a major boost in the past few days from Donald Trump super-fans and adherents of the QAnon conspiracy theory."

#### IMVE/Hate

Antisemitic Crimes Are Surging in Germany (vice.com)

"The <u>latest Interior Ministry statistics</u> showed that politically motivated crime had reached its highest level in Germany since officials started tracking the data in 2001. Overall, politically motivated offending – from hate speech to murder – increased by nearly a quarter from the previous year to 55,048 offences, including 3,889 violent crimes, a 16 percent increase from 2020."

'Time for war bro': How an extreme right-wing Napa mechanic built an arsenal (vallejosun.com)

IMCIT Comment:

After church protests, experts warn extremists may exploit abortion demonstrations (religionnews.com)

""Given right-wing extremists' long-standing perception that the anti-abortion movement is a friendly venue to their cause and their ever-present desire to insert themselves into tense political debates, there's real concern that right-wing extremists may appear at pro-choice protests with the intent of agitating and intimidating rallygoers," Holt said."

## Conspiracy

on Twitter: "More bad news for Romana Didulo followers. A letter from lawyers demanding payment for unpaid bills. Their solution (as some members of the group suggested) was to send a follow-up letter directing them to her decrees. Not good advice https://t.co/xDaCJ4afw0" / Twitter

on Twitter: "I decided to do another sovereign citizen "show and tell" thread today, prompted by having discovered a series of nifty new bogus sovereign license plates. So buckle up, folks, it may be a bumpy ride! https://t.co/TVu6iUKWuF" / Twitter

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**Sent:** May 13, 2022 11:42 AM

**To:** Kruk, James; Morawiec, Garrett; Little, Kristen; Warden, Andrew; Piamonte, Kandi

**Cc:** Larson, Nathan

Subject: RE: Media Scan - 13 May 2022

#### Anti-PHO

Open source

## https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cTuibi76ogY

- The de facto leader of DIAGOLON (JM) appeared on a livestream with "the Grizzly Patriot" (MF) to discuss law enforcement action and CSIS probes against alleged supporters/members of DIAGOLON. Some references to violence are made:
  - o JM: "Angrily I'm frustrated, I'm blowing off steam, that's all we're doing. That's the whole point, I'm angry you're doing things that are going to endanger my children, my friends, you're ruining everything. You're taking it to a place that is not going to end well. That's basically the message for a while, like this is not going to a good spot here. Do you want violence? Cause this is how you get it."
  - o MF: "Right, and you're only stating a fact. That's definitely not encouraging it, promoting it, pushing it in that direction. That's just stating a fact."
  - JM: "That's like what do you think would happen if the food supply would dry up for a week. What do you think would happen? Uh, people will kill each other. 'ARE YOU SIR SUGGESTING VIOLENCE?' I'm just telling you what's gonna happen, man."
  - o MF: "And we have to be able have those conversations, we have to talk about it."
  - JM: "Yeah in order to prevent it."
  - o MF: "I can tell you and you know as well as I do, that the conversations off the internet are far worse than the conversations on the internet. I know that for a fact."
  - o [and then they move onto Marcus RAY and his rhetoric]
  - o JM: "That's the thing, 'we're worried about this guy, we have to deal with him', well get ready to deal with a thousand more of these guys, if you don't want to deal with them, then stop what you're doing, because people are angry and frustrated and they're starting to lash out, and they're not having their voices heard. They're showing up to capital city with 50,000 people and your response is not to talk to them, you just 'well I'm not gonna talk to them and run them over with horses' and that's it, the end. You just made the problem worse."
  - o MF: "You just sent a whole bunch of people underground."
  - o JM: "You're radicalizing people!"
- IMCIT Comment: I have not watched all the video (runs a little bit over an hour) but the overall rhetoric alleges that the PM, public health rules, and enforcement of the convoy are what is radicalizing Canadians and the only way to prevent violence with anti-government grievances are to drop mandates and listen to their grievances. Some discussion of protesters yelling at NDP leader: "He's lucky he only got yelled at, it could have been a lot worse." Some discussion of CSIS "infiltration" of their DIAGOLON groups.

## Environmental

The Canadian government and RBC Bank are ignoring the rights of Wet'suwet'en Nations (pressenza.com)

• Wet'suwet'en solidarity rally held in Montreal yesterday with no reported issues.

Coastal Gaslink : la présence policière s'est intensifiée | Radio-Canada.ca

• RCMP E-Div confirmed an increased presence at the CGL construction site after the violence against workers was reported in Feb 2022.

#### Hate crimes

Police looking into graffitied hate messages in Fort Saskatchewan park - FortSaskOnline.com

• RCMP investigating after reports of swastikas were found on a garbage can in a local park on April 29.

For the second time in a week, vandal targets St. Catherine school in Peterborough with racist and homophobic graffiti |

The Peterborough Examiner.com

• The same elementary school targeted with racially-motivated graffiti on Monday was again targeted on Wednesday. Peterborough police continue to investigate.

#### Other - Abortion

Duelling protests over abortion debate take over downtown Ottawa | Ottawa Citizen
Anti-abortion rally held outside Alberta legislature as debate percolates | Edmonton Journal
US abortion debate doesn't weigh on Vernon pro-life rally - Vernon News - Castanet.net
Victoria March for Life attracts hundreds | CTV News

• Pro-life rallies were held across multiple cities yesterday, with counter-protesters present at the Ottawa and Edmonton rallies. No issues reported at any of the above events.

#### General IMVE

Threat of violent extremism rising in Canada, MPs told | CBC News

• The threat of violent extremism has increased in Canada during the pandemic — fuelled by misinformation and resulting in threats to politicians and public servants — top security and policing officials told members of Parliament on Thursday.

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## PHO - Canada

Exports slowed by border protest - Winnipeg Free Press

""Overall, the blocked border crossings appear to have had little impact on the aggregate values of Canadian imports and exports in February," reads a Statistics Canada report last month. Another dataset from the federal agency, which details daily cross-border traffic, shows that Emerson lost nearly one-third of its usual trucking traffic in February 2022 compared with one month earlier."

Harassment of Jagmeet Singh is a warning that incendiary rhetoric has real-world effects | The Star

## IMVE/Hate

German police foil teenage school 'Nazi attack' · The Journal.ie

"Police in the city of Essen had stormed the teen's room overnight, taking him into custody and uncovering 16 "pipe bombs", as well as anti-Semitic and anti-Muslim material."

Nick Fuentes: It's 'Gay' To Have Sex With Women (dailydot.com)

"Involuntary celibacy is part of the glue that binds the far-right together. The primarily male cohort of incels congregating together online to share their anger and confusion over being shunned sexually is partly credited for the rise in extremism in recent years."

"Traditional" Catholics and white nationalist "groypers" forge a new far-right youth movement | Salon.com

The Far-Right Is Doxxing Judges and Calling For Their Assassinations (vice.com)

"The posts, which appear on a far-right Telegram channel, feature the names and addresses of federal court judges (among other public figures perceived as enemies to the far-right) alongside a bio and a slick red graphic with a Kalashnikov rifle."

## Conspiracy

From anti-vax to pro-Putin, how conspiracy theorists are backing Russia's war in Ukraine | Euronews

IMCIT Comment: Includes discussion of role of QAnon, Neo-Nazi conspiracies, Identitarian movement

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**Sent:** February 15, 2022 3:49 PM

**To:** Kruk, James; Morawiec, Garrett; Piamonte, Kandi; Larson, Nathan

**Cc:** Little, Kristen

**Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 15 February 2022

Thanks James! Highlighting open source today.

#### **OVERALL**

- Majority of chatter focusing on the announcement of the Emergencies Act. Reactions range from fear about repercussions to insistence that the announcement is indicative of a tyrannical government.
- Narratives from key figures in the movement circulating about the Coutts seizure that the items were planted and used as a smear campaign against the overall movement. Criticism that the seizure occurred on private property and not at the actual blockade. Narratives circulating that the firearms do not belong to any convoy protesters and allegations are made up by RCMP sense of betrayal by police agencies over the Coutts arrests.
- The above, in combination with the stolen truck containing firearms in Peterborough ON, is fuelling rumours from a former RCMP officer that firearms have been "planted" in Ottawa to discredit the convoy movement.
- Convoy pages celebrating OPS Chief's resignation. One comment: "One SOB down few more to go. Ottawa police chief has resigned".
- Rumours that people's bank accounts are being frozen because they donated to a convoy fundraiser. Screencaps I have seen so far appear to be regular routine updates from banks.

## NCR

• A supply convoy is being planned from across prairie provinces to converge in Ottawa with one trailer diverted to Coutts for this weekend. (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/732666708138645/posts/744334750305174/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/732666708138645/posts/744334750305174/</a>).

BC – no significant updates. Slow rolls/convoy (Victoria) will continue weekly on weekends.

#### ALBERTA

- COUTTS protesters say they are leaving and will "regroup" with another plan to make a statement to the public (<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/5117435928287081/posts/5194747277222612/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/5117435928287081/posts/5194747277222612/</a>).
- EDMONTON: Protest planned for Feb 22 outside the legislature building. Of possible concern: "All groups and Albertas meet with our MLAs and staffers as they walk to the assembly."

  (https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=10160179181670827&set=q.5117435928287081)

## **SASKATCHEWAN**

 no significant updates. Slow rolls/convoys (Saskatoon -<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/saskatoonorganizes/posts/487321666387493/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/saskatoonorganizes/posts/487321666387493/</a>) will likely continue on weekends.

MB - No significant updates. Emerson blockade ongoing.

QC – No significant updates. Event in Quebec City planned for Saturday.

Atlantic – No significant updates.

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## NCR/National

Convoy fundraiser leak shows substantial U.S. donations | CTV News

"The largest American donor at US\$90,000 is listed as Thomas M. Siebel, the same name as an American billionaire [...] Among the top ten donors is Travis Moore, a cryptocurrency businessman, who donated US\$17,760, a reference to the date of the American revolution [...] Canadian donors make up 6 of the top ten donors; Americans make up 3, with the top donation — US\$215,000 — listed as "processed but not recorded." [...] There were 72 references to "WWG1WGA" "

An Inside Look At The Nerve Center Of The Ottawa Truck Protest (buzzfeednews.com)

"The Coventry Road supply center is not, however, the movement's headquarters, and protesters spend most of their time downtown. Top organizers are also elsewhere so that, according to one volunteer, police can't move in and round them up. The supply chain manifests in soup kitchens and hot dog stands on street corners downtown, with volunteers doling out free food and drinks to anyone who wants some. The size of the demonstrations notably spike on weekends, when people drive in from hours away to take part. During the week, people sleep in their cars and trucks."

Military investigating at least 6 active soldiers for supporting convoy protests | CBC News

"CBC News has confirmed a report in the Ottawa Citizen that <u>two members under investigation are part of the JTF2</u> <u>assault team</u>, the elite counterterrorism unit of the Canadian Forces."

Picture of 'Freedom convoy' funding painted by apparent leaked GiveSendGo data | The Star

"A majority of money donated — about 52 per cent, or \$5.4 million — appears to have come from Canadian sources. Meanwhile, more individual Americans appear to have donated to the campaign than Canadians. The data shows 51,666 American donations, compared to the 36,202 from Canada."

For many inside the Freedom Convoy, faith fuels the resistance | CBC News

## **British Columbia**

Pacific Highway border crossing opens, Surrey RCMP diverting traffic - Peace Arch News

RCMP investigating racist abuse hurled at Okanagan students during 'Freedom Convoy' protest – Surrey Now-Leader "A second protest by supporters of the so-called "Freedom Convoy" also occurred outside the Osoyoos Secondary School that day."

#### **Alberta**

Canadian Anti-Hate Network on Twitter: "BREAKING: Gear seized by police at #Coutts includes a plate carrier with Diagolon patches. Diagolon is an accelerationist movement with members and chapters across Canada. Its de factor leader is Jeremy MacKenzie. 1/ https://t.co/SPTrbXkOjh https://t.co/z7J9ZdCjUk" / Twitter

Mounties seize guns and arrest 13 protesters at border blockade in Alberta | CBC News

Edmonton Police under fire for heavy-handedness with convoy counter protesters - The Globe and Mail

"In a statement, Edmonton Police said they issued 10 tickets to convoy participants and mailed a further 60, with nine of these tickets relating to noise."

#### Manitoba

<u>Trucker protests in Emerson, Manitoba continue through Monday - Grand Forks Herald | Grand Forks, East Grand Forks news, weather & sports</u>

Some Manitoba legislature protesters heading home amid plan to remove COVID-19 restrictions - Winnipeg | Globalnews.ca

## Ontario

No protests or blockades Monday at Blue Water Bridge | The Sarnia Observer (theobserver.ca)

42 arrests, 37 vehicle seizures made by police in Windsor protest | CTV News

City of Windsor declares state of emergency over Ambassador Bridge protests | CBC News

#### **Maritimes**

Though some demonstrators remain, Fredericton police say protest is over | CBC News

"About 40 protesters could be seen outside the legislature on Monday morning. Two people were arrested for offences under the Criminal Code, and one for offences under the Emergency Measures Act. Several others were given traffic and civic bylaw tickets in relation to the protest."

#### PHO - World

'Freedom convoy' rolls quietly into Brussels – POLITICO

"A few dozen vehicles arrive at the one location authorized for anti-COVID restriction protesters [...] Some tear gas was deployed in areas where protesters were blocked, and police said they made about 30 arrests for disturbing the peace or for carrying a prohibited weapon."

Four arrested at Cotter campground as Convoy to Canberra protesters evicted from Exhibition Park - ABC News

Convoy to Canberra anti-vax protester found with gun, parliament map | PerthNow

NZ top cop pledges COVID protest crackdown | The Canberra Times | Canberra, ACT

"Protesters have called for politicians and journalists to be killed in their speeches and signs, and have abused people in the vicinity wearing masks - including schoolchildren."

## IMVE - World

New ADL Data: Far-Right Extremists Responsible for Overwhelming Majority of Domestic Extremist-Related Murders In 2021 | Anti-Defamation League

"According to an annual analysis of extremist fatalities by ADL Center on Extremism, domestic extremists were responsible for killing at least 29 people in the United States, in 19 separate incidents. This represents an increase from the 23 extremist-related murders documented in 2020"

White supremacist flyers litter 3 Austin neighborhoods | KXAN Austin

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**To:** Little, Kristen

**Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 22 February 2022

Hey yeah I'll add it in my "threats of violence" section and keep it as open-source as possible.

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**To:** Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> **Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 22 February 2022

Quick Q. Are you going to reference diagolon in the crim section under the coutts info? Or do you want me to add er in (specific diagolon stuff) in another area?

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Looks awesome thanks James!

From: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

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Got it thanks James and good suggesting to add in Ash!

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Subject: RE: Media Scan - 22 February 2022

Third draft attached. Hopefully this isn't too much of a run-on sentence:

Protesters also encamped outside parliamentary buildings in Wellington, New Zealand<sup>[1]</sup> and Canberra, Australia,<sup>[2]</sup> with protesters in New Zealand having sprayed officers with noxious substances and human excrement, and in one instance attempting to ram officers with a vehicle.<sup>[3]</sup>

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Sent: February 22, 2022 9:06 AM

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Subject: RE: Media Scan - 22 February 2022

Thanks James! Would you mind updating your Global section (in a separate word doc, like the one you sent yesterday) to reflect the vehicular and substance attack in NZ?

Ash

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## NCR/National

France's 'Freedom Convoy' has Canadian connections | CTV News

"Reuters has found some of the loudest online voices coordinating France's convoy have direct links with Cossette-Trudel and other Canadians, revealing a network of connections between "anti-vaxx" and right-wing groups in the two countries."

RCMP, banks and Ottawa say convoy protest donors won't have accounts frozen after viral tweet said otherwise - The Globe and Mail

### **British Columbia**

Okanagan trucker convoys shrinking in size, RCMP says - Okanagan | Globalnews.ca

"Sgt. <u>Jason Bayda</u> of the <u>Osoyoos</u> RCMP said there were roughly 600 vehicles counted in the Saturday convoy to Osoyoos that opposes pandemic-related health measures."

#### Alberta

<u>Possible injunction against noise caused by protests wouldn't help Beltline residents without enforcement, expert says |</u>
Calgary Herald

MLA Todd Loewen in Ottawa to support trucker convoy protests | Fort Mcmurray Today

## Saskatchewan

Peaceful protest against COVID-19 restrictions held near North Portal - SaskToday.ca

"A peaceful demonstration near the North Portal border crossing on the weekend drew more than 70 vehicles and 160 participants. Those involved with the South Bound and Down Convoy started to arrive on private land on Friday afternoon, and they were gone by Sunday evening."

#### Ontario

UN planes at northern Ontario airport spark social media conspiracy theories | CTV News

"One of the planes in question has United Nations decals on it, and a viral TikTok video circulated Saturday falsely claimed UN troops or police officers from other countries landed in North Bay to head to Ottawa to break up the demonstration."

'The game just started': Small group of 'Freedom Convoy' supporters assemble at Booth and SJAM to continue protest | Ottawa Citizen

"With downtown streets emptied of the trucks and protesters that had occupied Ottawa's core for more than three weeks, a small group of holdovers gathered at the corner of Booth Street and the Sir John A. Macdonald Parkway on Monday morning"

Truck convoy a 'contributing factor' in fatal Chatham-Kent collision: OPP | CTV News

## Quebec

Montreal police 'preparing for any eventuality' if protests spread | Montreal Gazette

"Although <u>a protest in support of the convoy was held in Parc-Extension</u> on Feb. 12, without any major disturbances, the SPVM is remaining vigilant to avoid a near shutdown of the downtown core similar to what happened in Ottawa."

## **Maritimes**

There was a small "convoy" protest in Halifax Saturday (halifaxexaminer.ca)

## PHO - World

Washington DC convoy will be 'like a giant boa constrictor that squeezes chokes, and swallows you' | Daily Mail Online

New Zealand anti-vaccine mandate protesters clash with police - National | Globalnews.ca

## NZ anti-vax protesters drive car at police | The Canberra Times | Canberra, ACT

"One protester has been arrested for driving a car towards a line of police officers, stopping just short of crashing into them. Three officers were also taken to hospital after an unknown stinging substance was thrown onto them, with all three reportedly doing well."

## **IMVE**

Protesters parade around Capitol honking car horns for a week - The State News

"For the past week, Candace Cook has been driving in circles around the Michigan Capitol for two hours, three times a day, honking the horn on her Chrysler PT Cruiser, nicknamed "OI" Red." [...] Cook was carrying around a bag that had an American flag patch on it, along with a badge that read "In God We Trust" and a badge for the Three Percenters."

#### **Bonus**

Offline Versus Online Radicalisation: Which is the Bigger Threat? – GNET (gnet-research.org)

"Our findings suggest that the primary threat comes from those who have mostly been radicalised offline. More than half of the individuals in our database were radicalised mostly offline versus a significantly smaller number who were radicalised mostly online (54% vs 18%). Individuals radicalised mostly offline were significantly more likely to complete their attacks than those who were radicalised online (29% vs 12%). However, we found that the number of people being radicalised online has increased over the last seven years, primarily in the youth demographic. Nonetheless, even in this demographic online radicalisation has not surpassed offline radicalisation."

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 $<sup>^{[1]}\</sup> https://www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/news/wellington/127832249/occupation-day-14-water-bottle-hurled-at-police-during-clash-near-parliament$ 

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<sup>[3]</sup> https://www.canberratimes.com.au/story/7630380/nz-anti-vax-protesters-drive-car-at-police/

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**Sent:** January 24, 2022 11:48 AM

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Cc:Piamonte, Kandi; Larson, NathanSubject:RE: Media Scan - 2022-01-24

Thanks Kristen!

#### Anti-PHO -

## Online chatter:

- Rumours circulating that GoFundMe's holding of the funds for the trucker's rally is due attempts by Liberal "tyrants" to block the convoy who seek to label it as a "terrorist" organization (this may be partially inspired by a tweet from former Principal Secretary for the PM who is questioning where the money will go). This is fuelling anti-PM rhetoric. Some users are trying to get "#TruckYouTrudeau" trending and the narrative is that the PM is "scared".
- Numbers for truckers participating in the convoy will be difficult to assess as users are posting any sightings of transport trucks seen on highways as being part of the convoy.

World Wide Rally for Freedom (Saturday, Jan 22 and related Sunday, Jan 23 events – all articles make mention of the protesters opposing the vaccine mandate for truckers) Thanks to James for finding these articles.

BC:

PHOTOS: Large crowd gathered in Kelowna on Saturday to protest vaccine mandates, other provincial health orders (kelownanow.com)

• Kelowna: "Couple thousand" protesters gathered on Saturday. One sign of note: "Unvaccinated Lives Matter" with a BLM-branded fist stylized to break a syringe.

Anti-vaccine protestors descend on Vancouver Art Gallery - Vancouver Is Awesome

• Vancouver: "Hundreds" of protesters gathered on Saturday.

UPDATE: Hundreds gather at B.C. Legislature against pandemic restrictions - Victoria News (vicnews.com)

• Victoria: "Hundreds" gathered outside the BC Legislature on Saturday.

## NORTH:

Hundreds in Whitehorse attend protests against COVID-19 health restrictions | CBC News

• Whitehorse, Yukon: "Hundreds" gathered on Saturday and Sunday.

Up to 70 join rally for freedom in Yellowknife on Jan. 22 (infomedia.gc.ca)

• Yellowknife, NWT: 70 people gathered on Saturday despite the cold.

## SASKATCHEWAN:

Vaccination mandate for truck drivers protest, North Portal - SaskToday.ca

North Portal: 100 people and 50 vehicles gathered on Saturday. This article mentions a former CBSA officer
protesting the mandate and asking other CBSA officers to reconsider enforcing the mandate.

#### ONTARIO:

Anti-vaccine rally draws hundreds | TheRecord.com

• Waterloo: ~500 protesters in attendance on Sunday, and PPC leader and Independent MPP for Lanark-Frontenac were speakers.

Truck drivers convoy across Canada in protest of federal vaccine mandates | CTV News

• Windsor: Delays reported on Ambassador Bridge linking Windsor to Detroit by a freedom convoy on Sunday. NEW BRUNSWICK:

Hundreds protest lockdown measures (infomedia.gc.ca)

• Moncton: ~1200-1500 people marched through downtown on Sunday.

Protesters, police clash during Fredericton rally against COVID-19 restrictions | CBC News

• Fredericton: ~400 protesters on Saturday. 2 arrests reported following an argument between protesters and officers. She said the protest was mostly peaceful, but added there was "a small group of citizens who acted to incite dissension, creating a dangerous and potentially violent situation."

#### NOVA SCOTIA:

## Protesters slow traffic at Nova Scotia border to protest vaccine mandates | SaltWire

• Fort Lawrence: Vehicles honking and waving flags deliberately slowed down traffic between the NS and NB border on Sunday.

## **International PHO:** (James' finds)

Vaccine passport protests in Europe draw thousands of people | CTV News

• EUROPE: Thousands of people gathered in European capitals Saturday to protest vaccine passports and other requirements governments have imposed in hopes of ending the coronavirus pandemic. Demonstrations took place in Athens, Helsinki, London, Paris and Stockholm. [...] Swedish media reported that representatives from the neo-Nazi Nordic Resistance Movement attended the action with a banner. Police closely monitor the group, which has been associated with violent behavior at demonstrations.

## Water cannon, tear gas at COVID-19 protests in Brussels - ABC News (go.com)

• BELGIUM: Black-clad protesters attacked a building in Brussels used by the European Union's diplomatic service on Jan. 23, 2022, hurling projectiles at its entrance and smashing windows. Brussels police said 70 people were detained and three officers and 12 demonstrators required hospital treatment.

## Three people arrested after anti-vaccination rally at Mackay shopping centre - ABC News

• AUSTRALIA: 3 people arrested in North Queensland during a freedom rally at a shopping centre on Saturday. One protester was charged with seriously assaulting a police officer and 2 others are charged with obstruction.

## At D.C. rally, anti-vaccine activists protest covid mandates - The Washington Post

• USA: ~20k protesters gathered in Washington DC on Sunday to rally against vaccine mandates. Trump supporters, PB, and conspiracy theorists were in attendance based on signage and clothing. 1 incident reported of a masked man allegedly attacked on a subway by an anti-masker.

I will skip on reporting International IMVE this week unless there are reports of violence or arrests due to the focus on the truckers' rally.

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Good morning,

## **OVERALL SUMMARY**

Opposition to vaccine mandates for truckers continue to drive discussions and receive widespread promotion within anti-public health order networks. The "Freedom Convoy 2022" to Ottawa from various Canadian provinces began over the weekend, however it remains unclear how many trucks and individuals will arrive in Ottawa on January 28th/29<sup>th</sup>. Fundraising efforts for the convoy continue to see an increase, however there is no clear information about how the funds will be dispersed. The duration of how long the convoy will be in Ottawa is also unclear. The overall perception among supporters of the convoy is that if enough truckers protest and cause supply shortages, this could be the major push needed in order to end what the anti-public health order movement calls "government tyranny" (the perceived overreach of the government related to all things COVID – lockdowns, vaccine mandates, etc.).

This convoy will likely attract ideologically motivated individuals. The presence of ideologically motivated individuals does not necessarily mean ideologically motivated criminality or ideologically motivated violence. Note that within these ideologically motivated networks, not all individuals support extreme activities and there is a diversity of views

regarding the use of violence. This convoy is also attracting individuals who are not aligned with any specific ideology or group, but who have experienced personal hardships (such as job loss) due to COVID-19 and are upset with provincial or federal government responses as COVID-19 continues to impact daily life. IMCIT is liaising with law enforcement partners to maintain visibility on this event and other events related to opposition of trucker mandates which are occurring nationally.

# Anti-Public Health Order Freedom Convoy 2022

• There are a bunch of new OPP reports from over the weekend in the OPP HENDON folder. They are doing 2 a day at least, so moving forward just check that folder daily I will add them in there as they come in.

## **OPEN SOURCE**

- OPP has advised there is a lot of misinformation regarding the convoy circulating and they are attempting to verify it. Currently they are wondering if tickets were issued in Leduc, Alberta overnight. I have reached out to our K Div contact to see who the best person is to verify this.
- The main GoFundMe is at 3,127,030 currently. There is still no clear dispersal of funds. As you will see in the OPP reports there are online claims that the PM is trying to stop the GoFundMe funds from being used. A Tweet indicates that a statement to CTV news from GoFundMe indicates that the funds are being held as GoFundMe works with the organizer to verify how the funds will be spent

<u>https://twitter.com/</u> /status/1485363882151579651 (See attached)

- There are claims that there is no mainstream media coverage of the convoy, however these are false as many outlets deemed mainstream have covered the convoy this weekend.
- Estimates on social media have claims that up to 1 million people are coming to Ottawa. **These numbers are in no way reliable.**
- There is chatter that photos of random transports completing routine activities are being taken then posted with claims they are part of the convoy
- There is a post circulating that a group of Mennonites from Waterloo Region joined in the convoy. This is believed to be misinformation.
- There is chatter online that mainstream media mischaracterized a protest by truckers being held over the weekend to bring awareness to the dangerous highways basically insinuating that the media is covering up the real reason for the Freedom Convoy. It appears there was a separate protest of this nature.
- Based on comments directed at media, past protests of this nature, as well as the level of discontent against the PM, it is likely impromptu protests at various locations around Ottawa (media outlets, 24 Sussex, etc.) will likely take place separate from the main convoy

## **Opposition to Freedom Convoy**

 A Tweet on a LGBTQ account local to Ottawa indicates "The prospect of hundreds of far-right protestors with large trucks and a penchant for violence arriving in the city is frankly terrifying for the #Ottawa 2SLGBTQ+ community, especially visibly Queer and Trans folks."

https://twitter.com/RainbowOttawa/status/1485383646383157252

Analyst Note: There have been no overt threats of violence identified on open source. This event is attracting people with grievances that are not necessarily ideological in nature. Just like for all antipublic health order events, the primary motivation for this is not ideological, but ideological personalities have attended events because public health measures have amplified existing grievances already held by individuals who had frequented anti-Muslim, anti-immigration, events in past years or who were vocal in espousing racially motivated or ethno-nationalist rhetoric online

## **General Anti-PHO**

- Protest outside of Calgary home of Liberal MP George Chahal on Sunday YouTube link:
  - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V58CIGYhkMg FB Video: https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=345045773914551
    - The protest referenced trucker vaccine mandates
- World Wide Rallies for Freedom See attached email from PPS specific to the event in Ottawa on Jan 22nd.

## **Old Growth Logging**

Police enforcement at Fairy Creek Watershed cost Canadians more than \$10 million. Temporary injunction
against protest in place as court considers appeal over rejected extension.
<a href="https://www.saanichnews.com/news/police-enforcement-at-fairy-creek-watershed-cost-canadians-over-10-">https://www.saanichnews.com/news/police-enforcement-at-fairy-creek-watershed-cost-canadians-over-10-</a>

## Wet'suwet'en Solidarity

million/

- OPINION article: Canada is at a crossroads and the Wet'suwet'en are in its crosshairs. https://www.nationalobserver.com/2022/01/21/opinion/canada-crossroads-and-wetsuweten-are-its-crosshairs
- No new calls for national solidarity actions have been identified

## **Climate Issues**

- No significant updates
- March 12 remains a Day of Action for a Just Transition. The group organizing is typically peaceful.

Thank you, Kristen

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** January 28, 2022 11:30 AM

**To:** Little, Kristen; Morawiec, Garrett; Kruk, James; Piamonte, Kandi; Larson, Nathan

Subject: RE: Media Scan - 2022-01-28

Thanks KL.

#### Online chatter

- Flags seen in convoy: Kingdom of Canada (QAnon-adjacent movement), Proud Boys, Gadsden Flag, Diagolon, Nazi-symbolism (syringes as the swastika, Star of David alleging representing the unvaccinated)
- - This rhetoric confirms that in-group suspicion is high and the larger movement is prepared to attribute any violence on provocateurs.
- Twitter post calling for trucks to block media stations CBC, CTV and Global News headquarters "til they start telling the truth" (https://twitter.com/ /status/1486873837056643073)
- Twitter post from a profile allegedly representing provincial police against vaccine mandates "[the PM] hasn't weaponized the ones who can think for themselves. In our humble opinion, he's made his bed."
   (https://twitter.com//status/1486866720472055809) in response to a right-leaning commentator alleging that the PM has weaponized police forces against the convoy.
- Save Old Growth held another road blockade in Nanaimo BC yesterday and arrested 3 people. The narrative
  from left-leaning circles is that if you blockade a road for environmental causes, you are criminalized, but not if
  you are joining the freedom convoy.

**News:** (James' finds)

MPs warned that trucker convoy protesters may target their homes - The Globe and Mail

"Conservative Leader says he will meet some of those heading to Ottawa in a convoy against vaccine mandates,
as the head of security for the House of Commons warned MPs that some protesters may target their personal
residences in the country's capital. [...] It notes that some individuals – not named – have inquired online about
the personal addresses of local MPs in connection with the rally

Ottawa businesses prepare for the arrival of the 'freedom convoy' | CTV News

Ottawa Public Health closes two vaccination clinics with convoy set to arrive in the capital | CTV News

- OTTAWA: 2 vaccine clinics (uOttawa, Lowertown locations) and several businesses set to close out of precaution.
- It is yet to be determined how many trucks will drive through downtown. According to convoy route maps, the group will likely exit highway 417 at Kent Street and travel north towards Wellington Street, a stretch of road that is about 1.6 kilometres. For perspective, it would take 64 full-size trucks, bumper-to-bumper, to fill the street.

'Freedom Convoy' gather at Quebec border crossings ahead of protest on Parliament Hill | CTV News

• QUEBEC: QC truckers will gather at Canada-US border crossings on Friday morning before joining the convoy in Ottawa. The protesters were expected to start their gatherings "before dawn" at the border crossings of Saint-Théophile in Chaudière-Appalaches, Stanstead in the Eastern Townships and Saint-Bernard-de-Lacolle in the Montérégie.

Freedom Convoy needs to lose extreme rhetoric, says association head as truckers reach Toronto | CBC News

• Vaughan ON: But while many in the crowd held signs against the mandate, some appeared to be more on the fringe, holding signs like: "Join or Die" and "Liberty or Death." One supporter was seen draped in the flag of the far-right group the Proud Boys.

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Subject: Media Scan - 2022-01-28

Good morning,

Convoy Count from OPP as of yesterday was 571 vehicles as stated in our STA.

OPS call at 10:00am, OPP call at 11:00am.

NCRCC (the live monitoring command centre out of Ottawa) is being stood up today at 1pm.

#### **OPEN SOURCE**

- The main GoFundMe is at \$6,951,700 as of 9:40am. Yesterday, the organizers attached to the GoFundMe posted an update indicating they received confirmation that GoFundMe has released the first batch of funds and is initiating their first transfer. They say once the funds are released they can process registration forms and remittances to drivers who need the support the warn there will be a bottleneck bc of the amount of forms they need to process. There are other comments that all submissions are not guaranteed.
  - There is an Anonymous top donation of \$25,022.
- Video posted

associated with Diagolon.

- This continues to receive widespread media coverage although individuals involved with the convoy continue to claim there's been a media blackout. With the wider coverage and larger audience there are more supporters and dissenters and with that I've noticed especially in the past couple days, people associated to the convoy are spending a lot of time trying to debunk claims they are racists and that the convoy is "Far right". This is based on comments from anti-hate advocates interviewed for mainstream articles. As social media accounts that have long monitored racially motivated and ethno-nationalist activity in Canada continue to follow the convoy and some individuals associated with it, they continue to repost old content of known REM individuals expressing their grievances. Despite this and some of the mainstream coverage that highlights some participants in the convoy in a negative light, it does not appear to have affected the momentum of the convoy or it's supporters who do not appear to harbour extremist views.
- A tweet from Kingston Police from last night reads "Other than some stragglers all major convoys appear to be situated for the night between Belleville, Napanee and Kingston for this region. All #ygk roads have been reopened. Thank you for your patience. No collisions, no injuries, no incidents." In addition, they posted "approximately 300 transport trucks and support vehicles will be turning right to go northbound on Gardiners Rd and then eastbound on Hwy 401 at approximately 8:30 am tomorrow" this could be an indication of the count in Kingston which would be very far off of what those supporting the convoy are promoting. Source link: <a href="https://twitter.com/KingstonPolice/status/1486874431213428736">https://twitter.com/KingstonPolice/status/1486874431213428736</a>
  - As of 8:47am today, a tweet from Kingston Police advises the group has departed https://twitter.com/KingstonPolice/status/1487059778304200705

- News reports circulating that MPs have been warned for their safety with respect to their personal information such as home addresses being leaked and targeted by the convoy or constituency offices <a href="https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/mps-warned-about-security-risks-related-to-convoy-o-toole-plans-to-meet-truckers-1.5757134">https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/mps-warned-about-security-risks-related-to-convoy-o-toole-plans-to-meet-truckers-1.5757134</a>
- There are still very limited details on plans for protest tactics once in Ottawa. The PPC leader posted an event Confederation Park 3pm on Jan 29th. Parliament Hill January 30th at 12pm. Source link: <a href="https://twitter.com/MaximeBernier/status/1486754020899405833">https://twitter.com/MaximeBernier/status/1486754020899405833</a>
- There is still no indication of how long people are planning to stay
- Posters advertising international convoys are circulating Canadian networks. Validity unknown at this time. Source link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/310624427062402/posts/498499178274925/
  - There is a perception that Canada is leading a global movement and posts like the above are reinforcing that belief of support

## **Opposing Chatter**

- There is some chatter online from businesses closing due to the expected disruptions of the convoy this
  weekend. In addition, some comments from individuals referencing their disappointment that on Jan 29th
  which should be used as a day to commemorate the Quebec mosque shooting the media will be focused on the
  convoy which will include those associated with Islamophobia and conspiracy theories.
- No formal counter-actions have been identified at this time. Warning from social media accounts that monitor REM activity to avoid counter-protesting for safety reasons
- A bit of an uptick in negative police chatter from those who oppose the convoy

Thank you, Kristen

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** February 17, 2022 4:00 PM

To: Little, Kristen; Morawiec, Garrett; Kruk, James; Larson, Nathan; Piamonte, Kandi

Subject: RE: Media Scan - 2022-02-17

## Open source:

### OVERALL:

A few pages previously under our radar (e.g. Freedom Convoy 2022 and Farmers' Convoy on Facebook,
 TheDayWeEndIt on Twitter) have been deleted, suspended, made private, or re-made under a new account.

- Of the remaining public pages, momentum for support has not slowed down. Local convoys are likely to continue to occur this coming weekend.
- Some rumors about people's bank accounts being suspended is fuelling conspiracy narratives about how the Emergency Act's powers play directly into the hands of the "Great Reset" if people's finances are frozen.
- Narratives alleging RCMP conspired with the government over the Coutts seizure continue to circulate to imply that the individuals arrested are not related to the convoy movement.
- o Possible doxing attempt in post identifying towing companies labeled as "scab workers" on regional convoy page (https://www.facebook.com/groups/477297343793104/posts/492777292245109/).
- Regional pages are sharing video footage and NCR leaders' press conferences. Regional supporters appear to be paying close attention to what will happen in Ottawa.

### COUTTS:

There is LOTS of interest in what is DIAGOLON. When I search Google for the term, at one point it warned me that "there are lots of new results" for my search term. Mainstream news picking up reporting on it with expertise provided by extremism researchers, who label it as a "far-right extremist group" (<a href="https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/what-is-the-diagolon-extremist-group-and-what-does-it-want-1.5785646">https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/what-is-the-diagolon-extremist-group-and-what-does-it-want-1.5785646</a>)

**News Media** - Highlighting some new developments of the Coutts seizure and James' finds mentioning possible future of the demonstrations.

Analysis of guns and ammunition seized near Coutts, Alta. blockade | CTV News

• COUTTS: At least 1 of the firearms, 2 of the magazines, and the body armour vests seized at Coutts appear to be prohibited as per firearms regulations.

## The Coutts 13: New details on the men and women arrested at border blockade | CBC News

• COUTTS: Among the 4 men accused of plotting to murder RCMP officers, 2 appear to have ties to the DIAGOLON de facto leader. Multiple have faced previous criminal and regulatory charges. A photo of a Canadian flag posted to one of the accused's Facebook page, mounted at the Saloon near the border blockade where convoy protesters were using as a safe haven, shows signatures from 9 of the 13 who were arrested during the raid, debunking online conspiracies that the 13 arrested were not part of the convoy protests.

## Coutts blockaders discussed blocking airport cargo terminals: private threat assessment | Globalnews.ca

• COUTTS: A private firm's threat assessment of the Coutts blockade, including one private investigator who spent 10h undercover with protesters, suggest a highly organized group with leadership who delegated tasks and managed finances and security, and received support from "proxy protesters" who lent farming and heavy equipment to blockade the border. The group was surprised at the lack of law enforcement action and some expressed the visible presence of children could "shield" protesters from law enforcement tactics, including mothers who questioned how the children might react to tear gas.

• Possible border integrity issues were also present, as American protesters appeared to be able to the border easily while it was blockaded. Protesters felt emboldened by the longevity of the border blockade and discussed plans to block airport terminals to force a change in government.

Several racist incidents by protesters prompt Okanagan Nation chiefs to demand investigation - Vernon Morning Star

• OKANAGAN: BC officers are being called upon to investigate 2 incidents involving the use of racially-charged insults by anti-mandate protesters as potential hate crimes. 1 occurred during a protest outside a high school, while another during the protest at the Surrey border.

<u>UPDATED "Freedom Convoy" Disruptions: Direct Loss Tally Surpasses One Quarter Billion Dollars – Anderson Economic Group</u>

• An economic group assesses the convoy border blockades between Feb 7-15 cost the auto industry nearly \$300mil in the form of lost wages for auto workers and overall losses to auto companies, highlighting the potential threats to economic integrity posed by the protests.

## International

Fact check: Canada 'Freedom Convoy' protesters don't number 100,000 (usatoday.com)

• US fact checkers are reporting that the Canadian convoy is the subject of misinformation in some US-based social posts which claim that the convoy reached 100k trucks and were a "truly peaceful protest" without any elements of criminality. These posts are being used to inspire similar convoys in other countries.

My Pillow CEO and '10,000 pillows' blocked from joining Ottawa protest | National Post

A prominent conspiracy theorist and supporter of the former POTUS attempted to enter Canada on Tuesday via
the Sarnia POE to hand out pillows and bibles to convoy protesters. He was denied entry for not being
vaccinated and not having proof of a negative PCR test. A government source told media that he is one of
"dozens" of Americans who were turned away at the border while trying to join trucker convoys across the
country.

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Subject: Media Scan - 2022-02-17

Good morning,

Freedom Convoy 2022 general updates are below. Our other topics to follow in a separate email (old growth, Wet'suwet'en, climate issues)

### The Positive Narrative

- Testimonials floating around that the vibe in Ottawa is real and genuine, profound and moving
- There are narratives that the OPP is on standby to pack their bags to go to Ottawa to deter people the non-ideological narrative circulating is encouraging protesters to stay peaceful and anticipate that the influx of protesters on the weekend will show more people what's actually happening (the perception that the protests in Ottawa are peaceful)
- Lots of narratives to email MPs and every Canadian Senator the widespread advertisement of this info (which is publicly available and always has been) may result in an uptick in threatening messages as well as in an influx of communication by phone, email or letter
- Narratives that Canada is "freeing the world" exist within international spaces

• Images of people dancing, drumming, children playing hockey, people saging and meditating and people of all races continue to circulate popular social media pages associated with the convoy to counter narratives justifying the emergency measures act, claiming the protest is violent, hateful, etc.

## The Ideologically Motivated Narrative

- The invoking of the emergency measures act continues to be a focal point of discussions
  - Perceptions that the country has declared war on its own people because the act is meant to defend the country from war
  - The act is meant for people considered enemy combatants
  - o Perceptions that the emergency measures act is the worst attack on democracy in the history of Canada
- Overall sentiment about the flyers handed out by Ottawa Police advising people to leave the area is that protesters don't care and the protesters are winning
- Some individuals associated with ideological views were trying to wake people up today as they feel police are
  moving in claims of over 100 police cruisers, several buses, prisoner transport wagons, unmarked cars –
  images of the vehicles were filmed with claims they are at the Infinity Convention Centre
  https://www.facebook.com/watch/live/?ref=watch\_permalink&v=1118372412332828
  - Narratives like this and the increase in visible police presence could increase paranoia among protesters
- There are some conspiracies circulating that the Peterborough police chief is retiring, Peterborough Mayor is taking a leave of absence and Chief Sloly resignation indicates that something big is up some suggestions this may be bc of the guns stolen from Peterborough, assumptions they were planted. Here is just one example but various narratives are floating around <a href="https://twitter.com/">https://twitter.com/</a> /status/1494111166146269187

### Other Observations of Interest

- Several ideological and non ideological social media is reporting and emergency call to action for people to go to Ottawa and if you can't go to Ottawa to send cash and food with those who can this may be as a result of the chatter that police are going to move in
- Narratives circulating that the notice that was sent around yesterday by Ottawa Police was so that when police move in and arrest, they can say people were warned
- There is a perception that no tow truck companies will come to remove the trucks
- It appears from live video that fencing is currently being put up in the downtown area https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wPtDhTiHOo0

Thank you, Kristen

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** March 31, 2022 11:45 AM

To: Little, Kristen; Morawiec, Garrett; Kruk, James; Piamonte, Kandi; Larson, Nathan

Subject: RE: Media Scan - 2022-03-31

Attachments: Facebook - Freedom Convoy Quebec 4 Ottawa - PM Slap - 2022-03-31.png; theLine -

Ukraine forces RT - 2022-03-31.png

### Thanks KL!

### Anti-PHO

• Open source: See attached meme replicating the Oscars slap but with the PM as the victim, posted in a Quebec-based Freedom Convoy group. The caption reads "The dream of every Canadian". Responses to are mostly celebrating the meme and others stating that he deserves more, like a "kick in the groin". The rhetoric is violent but there have been no overt threats in the comments.

### **Hate Crimes**

Arrest made in 'possible hate crime' assault on gay Nanaimo university student (cheknews.ca)

 Nanaimo BC: RCMP have arrested an individual associated to a potential hate-motivated assault against a gay student at Vancouver Island University. There will also be a solidarity rally and to mark the Transgender Day of Visibility today on campus.

## **QAnon/Conspiracy Theories**

• Open source: See attached image of The Line Canada sharing a video alleging that the Ukrainian military are linked to Nazism. The shared video is a RT press video. The caption from the Line reads, "Ukraine military, nothing more than Nazi. Why is Canada supporting them?"

## Facebook fails to label 80% of posts promoting bioweapons conspiracy theory | Facebook | The Guardian

- A study found that an estimated 80% of content shared to Facebook referencing a "bioweapons" conspiracy theory regarding the Russia-Ukraine conflict was not flagged by Facebook, despite the platform committing to taking down Russian disinformation.
- The bioweapons theory began to spread in the early days of the war on Ukraine, among fringe QAnon accounts, ultimately making its way to larger platforms such as Fox News. The White House has condemned the myth, saying it may have been manufactured by Moscow to justify a possible use of chemical weapons against Ukraine.

### Misc

## Backgrounder - Government of Canada announces expert advisory group on online safety - Canada.ca

• Canada's Heritage Minister announced yesterday the creation of a 12-person committee who will advise government on how to tackle harmful online content while protecting free speech. The experts selected for the group include academics and non-profit representatives.

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Subject: Media Scan - 2022-03-31

Good morning,

Not many updates that haven't already been discussed in the draft NTL. There is no change to the overall summary from yesterday.

### **ANTI-PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER**

- James advised of the Veterans4Freedom group social media launching in early March on Monday.
- Today an event has been identified related to a fundraiser in Burlington on April 28th. Nothing unlawful about this, but concern with the group lies in potential recruitment of other former or active law enforcement/military who could provide law enforcement or military experience/techniques should the group get involved in future public order organizing, as some of the individuals involved are names familiar to the Freedom Convoy 2022. Concern also lies wherein individuals with previous law enforcement/military experience may unknowingly give unwarranted legitimacy to <u>all</u> grievances espoused by individuals involved in the anti-PHO space. A prominent Diagolon individual follows the group. Flyer attached. Cost of a ticket is \$75 unknown at this time what the money will be used for.

### **OTHER**

- NEWS: Calgary police told to remove thin blue line patches from uniform. Police say the patch honours fallen officers but for others it's a symbol of white supremacy. <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/calgary-police-thin-blue-line-1.6403260">https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/calgary-police-thin-blue-line-1.6403260</a>
- ANOTHER ARTICLE: Calgary police officers will defy order to stop wearing 'thin blue line' patch: union. The
  head of the Calgary Police Association, which represents uniformed members, said he's encouraging officers to
  continue wearing the patch, calling the commission's decision misguided.
  <a href="https://calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/police-officers-will-defy-order-to-stop-wearing-thin-blue-line-patch-union">https://calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/police-officers-will-defy-order-to-stop-wearing-thin-blue-line-patch-union</a>

Thank you, Kristen

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** April 19, 2022 12:11 PM

**To:** Little, Kristen; Morawiec, Garrett; Kruk, James; Piamonte, Kandi; Larson, Nathan; Warden,

Andrew

**Subject:** RE: Media Scan - 2022-04-19

Thanks Kristen and James. Not many updates on my end.

### Anti-PHO

Open source:

- Posters for the "Rolling Thunder" event are circulating in Canadian-based groups in Gab with small levels of engagement (no comments, <10 likes). I could not locate a devoted group for this event.
- The de facto leader of DIAGOLON is advising followers to stay away from a grifter (<a href="https://twitter.com/">https://twitter.com/</a> (<a href="https://twitter.com/">status/1516117887571968006</a>)
  - o IMCIT Comment: Fragmentation among prevalent anti-PHO influencers may help to estimate support and/or numbers for future "Freedom"-branded events.

## Russia/Ukraine

Ukrainian church in Sudbury, Ont., vandalized with Russian 'Z' | CBC News

- SUDBURY: A Ukrainian church was vandalized last weekend with the letter "Z" spray painted in 3 different spots on the building. The "Z" letter has become a symbol of support for the Russian military. Sudbury police are investigating as a possible hate-motivated incident.
  - o IMCIT Comment:

## **Hate Crimes**

Hate Crimes Unit engaged after Scarborough shooting; investigators still looking into motive | Durham Radio News

• SCARBOROUGH: TPS have engaged their Hate Crimes unit but have not determined a motive yet for a shooting in a Muslim cultural centre parking lot where 5 men were shot (and injured – no fatalities) after an evening Ramadan service.

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Subject: Media Scan - 2022-04-19

Good morning,

### **OVERALL SUMMARY**

Weekly protests planned within anti-public health order movement networks continue in multiple cities throughout Canada and will likely occur for the foreseeable future. As public health measures have largely eased nationally, a diversity of themes that include anti-government sentiment regarding Liberal leadership, perceived government overreach, and freedom from all medical mandates and emergency orders throughout Canada are fueling arguments for

sustaining these weekly protests. Ideologically motivated rhetoric that includes conspiracy theories persists in these spaces.

The IMCIT is maintaining visibility on the Rolling Thunder Ottawa/Biker Freedom Convoy event scheduled for April 29/30 in Ottawa, which will likely see participation from outside Ontario. Though this event has generated national attention and out of province participation is expected, it has not garnered the level of attention, nation-wide coordination, financial support or intention for long-term disruption as observed with the Freedom Convoy 2022 in Ottawa. The IMCIT has provided out of province meet-up location information to RCMP C&IP and has requested their assistance with obtaining information regarding the number of vehicles observed at each meet-up location through their LE contacts (at the request of RCMP assistance from Ottawa Police). The IMCIT is currently awaiting a response to this request and continues to forward relevant open source information to affected partners.

### **ANTI-PUBLIC HEALTH ORDER**

- Calgary: The injunction related to protests continues to receive criticism among anti-public health order
  networks local to Calgary. A download of the injunction is linked here
  <a href="https://twitter.com/cityofcalgary/status/1514709003204399120">https://twitter.com/cityofcalgary/status/1514709003204399120</a> It is likely this temporary injunction is in part
  fueling rhetoric that has always been part of the protests related to control. Though public health measures
  have largely eased, the purpose of the weekly protests remains freedom from all medical mandates and
  emergency orders throughout Canada
- Recent news of a federal judge in the US striking down mask mandates on public transit has received attention within Canadian anti-public health order networks, since mandates continue to be required within Canada these mandates are perceived as being unlawful in Canada among individuals who are anti-public health order and rhetoric that Canadians need to "wake up" persists along with perceptions that mandates are part of a larger picture of an agenda to control Canadians
- Open source info suggests an individual associated with Diagolon attended a Halifax protest on April 16th and gave a speech <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/Cca5nSQPgDk/">https://www.instagram.com/p/Cca5nSQPgDk/</a> <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/Ccb0hsnpXMP/">https://www.instagram.com/p/Ccb0hsnpXMP/</a>
- A post suggesting the idea of a protest at the RCMP Musical Ride event on May 28th at 3790 Carp Road, Carp
  ON has been identified. Nothing concrete planned at the moment, just the suggestion. This is shared on one of
  the Biker Freedom Convoy FB pages, which has anti-public health order, anti-gov't, anti-authority sentiment.
  Source link: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/485944776223023/posts/526681005482733/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/485944776223023/posts/526681005482733/</a> Shared with
  OPS, OPP, RCMP CIG, RCMP PIU, PPS
- On May 5<sup>th</sup> there will be a protest outside Durham Police HQ in support of Officer Erin Howard (officer who spoke in support of the convoy)
- Protests continue to occur weekly with the use of convoys and are currently being promoted to April 23<sup>rd</sup> in various Canadian cities
- A mask burning event will be held on May 1<sup>st</sup> in Quebec and may attract a prominent Canadian anti-public health order influencer

### WET'SUWET'EN SOLIDARITY

- A post in the main social media accounts associated to Wet'suwet'en organizing indicates that on April 18<sup>th</sup>, "
  the RCMP have mistakenly identified and arrested a supporter after a month of police harassment at the
  Gidimt'en Checkpoint. There has been over 100 instances of police trespassing at our village site in the last
  month with police frequently trespassing 4-5 times per day. This tax-payer funded harassment and intimidation
  is an explicit attempt to make Wet'suwet'en people unsafe on our own lands. Our supporters have been
  working tirelessly standing on the frontlines to protect our elders and community members from this police
  violence at our village site. We call on our supporters to come stand with us and get more boots on the ground.
  We have an immediate need for legal observers and supporters to help protect our elders, and community
  members. apply to come to camp at yintahaccess.com"
  - o Overall sentiment in response is negative towards RCMP
- A concerning comment on a recent Instagram post on that is a recap of the April 7th RBC actions.
   The comment on the post says, "Can you booby trap some of the land? Put down hidden bear traps etc?... if I wasn't a mother of two I'd offer to help do this. All kinds of traps you can put out and say they are for

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** February 15, 2022 9:14 AM **To:** Morawiec, Garrett; Kruk, James

**Subject:** RE: PIU CIG Update 153

Hi G.

See below. The press release from K-Div on the Coutts seizure includes DIAGOLON patches on one of the seized vests. The "infidel" branding on another vest is consistent with Soldiers of Odin. I'll update today's STA to reflect this?

Let me know, I know you're busy in meetings... Ash

From: CIG\_Freedom Convoy 2022\_GIR Convoi de camionneurs

<CIG\_FreedomConvoy2022\_GIRConvoidecamionneurs@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: February 15, 2022 8:52 AM

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Chen, Ashley From:

Sent: February 16, 2022 8:55 AM

To: Kruk, James; Morawiec, Garrett; Little, Kristen; Piamonte, Kandi

Subject: RE: PIU CIG Update 160

I began receiving them as of Friday.

From: Kruk, James < James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: February 16, 2022 8:52 AM

To: Morawiec, Garrett < Garrett. Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca > ; Chen, Ashley

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Kandi <kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: PIU CIG Update 160

Ashley is forwarding them to me; I don't get them directly.

**From:** Morawiec, Garrett <Garrett.Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Sent:** February 16, 2022 8:50 AM

To: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Kruk, James <James.Kruk@rcmp-

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<kandi.piamonte@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> **Subject:** FW: PIU CIG Update 160

Who's receiving these?

From: CIG\_Freedom Convoy 2022\_GIR Convoi de camionneurs

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From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** February 9, 2022 4:42 PM

To: Kruk, James

**Subject:** RE: SITREP Summaries - 9 February 2022

Think it looks good so far! The border blockade summaries will be good for each day since the sitreps provide every update and it gets hard to discern whether the border is actually blocked or not at the time of reading.

----- Original message -----

From: "Kruk, James" <James. Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Date: 2022-02-09 4:34 p.m. (GMT-05:00)

To: "Chen, Ashley" <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca> Subject: RE: SITREP Summaries - 9 February 2022

My pleasure (I mean most of it is stuff you found & flagged). Still working on the best way to create a meaningfully informative end-of-day summary.

From: Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: February 9, 2022 4:30 PM

To: Kruk, James < James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>
Subject: RE: SITREP Summaries - 9 February 2022

Thanks James!

From: Kruk, James < James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

**Sent:** February 9, 2022 4:20 PM

To: Morawiec, Garrett < Garrett. Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >; Chen, Ashley < Ashley. Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca >; Little,

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**Subject:** SITREP Summaries - 9 February 2022

Attached and below are developments & discoveries made over the course of the day. I've tried to make sure that this is only capturing things we've spotted or learned about today, in order to avoid repeating the same updates too many times.

## Arrests/Criminality:

Calgary Police Service has laid 80 charges in connection with convoy protests on 7 February.

Inbound-to-Canada traffic on the Ambassador Bridge, Windsor has been completely shut down by the blockade.[1]

### **Newly Identified Upcoming Protests:**

- Convoy at the **Peace Bridge** (Niagara-Buffalo) on February 12, with convoys originating both in Canada and the United States. [2]
- An "End the Occupation" counter-demonstration in Winnipeg on February 12.[3]
- Convoys in **Chilliwack** and **Vancouver Island** on February 12.
- Convoy planning to converge on **Halifax** on February 12. [6]
- A convoy converging in Edmonton on February 12.<sup>[7]</sup>
- A solidarity rally in **Calgary** on February 12.[8]

### NCR

Protesters continue to anticipate that a police crackdown is imminent. Farfadaas is reportedly erecting a tent near PH. Diagolon-linked social media accounts are increasingly advocating for violence against law enforcement. Protesters reportedly setting up at a camp south of Carleton University.

### Alberta

The Coutts Border Blockade is ongoing. [13]

### Manitoba

Ongoing protests outside the Manitoba Legislature.[14]

### **Ontario**

Slow-roll convoy through rural townships around the NCR on 9 February. There is discussion about much of the Ottawa convoy potentially relocating to Toronto, and roads around Queen's Park were proactively closed. [17]

- $_{1}$  (ONT–ISSO) Update 04 Immediate Notification Slow Roll Convoy Windsor, ON 07 February 2022
- <sup>2</sup> USA-CANADA Convoy 2022 Peace Bridge
- 3 https://www.facebook.com/
- /photos/4770192529716987
- 4 https://www.facebook.com/groups/683613112631511/posts/692950345031121/
- 5 https://www.facebook.com/groups/683613112631511/posts/692700785056077/
- 6 https://www.facebook.com/groups/313721467377056/posts/321032049979331/
- 7 https://www.facebook.com/groups/5117435928287081/permalink/5174162939281046
- 8 https://www.facebook.com/CalgaryFreedomCentral/photos/pcb.398706832021224/398706478687926/
- 9 OPP POIB Project HENDON PROTECTED B: SITREP for February 8, 2022
- 10 PIU CIG Update #110 1845
- 11 ERRATUM CIG PIU Update #111 2145
- 12 https://twitter.com/ /status/1491394025651576836?s=21
- 13 K Division Planned and Ongoing Protests/Convoys/Blockades 2022-02-08 to 2022-02-13
- 14 Situation Report "D" Div Manitoba Freedom Convoy Support Demonstrations 2022-02-08
- 15 https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story\_fbid=105880082020169&id=100077
- 16 HCEIT 026-22 Convoy move to Toronto chatter
- 17 https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/toronto-convoy-protest-queens-park-1.6345043

## James Kruk

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Royal Canadian Mounted Police / Gendarmerie royale du Canada James.Kruk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca 343-549-6180 (ONT–ISSO) Update 04 – Immediate Notification – Slow Roll Convoy – Windsor, ON – 07 February 2022 [2] USA-CANADA Convoy 2022 Peace Bridge 131 https://www.facebook.com/ /photos/4770192529716987 [4] https://www.facebook.com/groups/683613112631511/posts/692950345031121/ <sup>[5]</sup> https://www.facebook.com/groups/683613112631511/posts/692700785056077/ [6] https://www.facebook.com/groups/313721467377056/posts/321032049979331/ [7] https://www.facebook.com/groups/5117435928287081/permalink/5174162939281046 l81 https://www.facebook.com/CalgaryFreedomCentral/photos/pcb.398706832021224/398706478687926/ 9 OPP - POIB - Project HENDON - PROTECTED B: SITREP for February 8, 2022 [10] PIU CIG Update #110 1845 [11] ERRATUM - CIG PIU Update #111 2145 https://twitter.com/\_ /status/1491394025651576836?s=21 [13] K Division Planned and Ongoing Protests/Convoys/Blockades 2022-02-08 to 2022-02-13 [14] Situation Report - "D" Div - Manitoba Freedom Convoy Support Demonstrations - 2022-02-08 https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story\_fbid=105880082020169&id=100077

[17] https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/toronto-convoy-protest-queens-park-1.6345043

[16] HCEIT 026-22 - Convoy move to Toronto chatter

From: Chen, Ashley

**Sent:** June 22, 2022 4:51 PM

**To:** Little, Kristen; Morawiec, Garrett **Subject:** RE: STA Canada Day Draft

Attachments: RCMP FPNI IMCIT - STA 2022-15 - Canada Day - DRAFT AC.docx

Thanks Kristen, looks good! I only have minor copyedits and an added reference about the V4F camp.

Should we make reference to official Canada Day events being held off PH this year but open source events list Freedom-based "parties" on PH regardless? There was an early perception that this move away from PH was to deter protesters from showing up at that landmark which may fuel higher attendance numbers, or drive resentment among the anti-PHO movement (but this is very local to Ottawa).

Thanks, Ash

From: Little, Kristen < kristen.little@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Sent: June 22, 2022 3:44 PM

To: Morawiec, Garrett <Garrett.Morawiec@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>; Chen, Ashley <Ashley.Chen@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>

Subject: STA Canada Day Draft

Attached is the draft for you both to review.

There is likely going to be a counter-protest the day the vet arrives be the organizer contacted the Ottawa Police Liaison team but nothing is on open source yet so I did not include it...apparently it is still being worked out.

I tried to stay away from listing individual Ottawa events since there are quite a few planned and I don't want to miss any, plus other local agencies are keeping track of that so I tried to keep it big picture.

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2022-01-06 Bellingcat	https://www.bellingcat.com/news/amer icas/2022/01/06/how-the-denver- shooters-digital-trail-exposes-the- violent-fantasies-of-the-manosphere/	United States	5.1 National Security	5.1.1 Terrorism	IMVE (Right)	A profile has emerged of the Denver shooter's life as a far-right ideologue popular in the notoriously misogynistic corner of the internet known as "the Manosphere". Crucially, as has been widely reported, this presence included a self-published, self-valorising series of books in which the shooter described a massacre at a tattoo parlour on the very same Denver street. These novels, until recently available online, are just one part of a digital trail linking the shooter to fringe pagan and esoteric groups. Upon closer examination, the image of a "lone woff" begins to dissolve and a far right, masculinist vision of mass shootings as a form of cathartic violence comes into relief.
2022-01-11 Washington Examiner	https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/ news/mccabe-wants-fbi-to-monitor- mass-radicalization-on-the-right-after- capitol-riot	United States	5.1 National Security	5.1.1 Terrorism	IMVE (Right)	Ex-FBI Deputy Director Andrew McCabe agreed there is a "mass radicalization on the Right" and that law enforcement should scrutinize "mainstream" conservatives in the wake of last year's Capitol riot. "It's entirely possible they didn't assume that that group of people — business owners, white people from the suburbs, educated, employed — presented a threat of violence, and now we know very clearly that they do," McCabe said during a panel by the University of Chicago's Institute of Politics
2022-01-11 capitalcurrent.ca	https://capitalcurrent.ca/how-canadas- far-right-is-surging-amid-the-pandemic/	Canada	5.1 National Security	5.1.1 Terrorism	IMVE (Right)	The number of police-reported hate crimes in Canada increased by 37 per cent during the first year of the pandemic, rising to 2,669 incidents in 2020 from 1,951 in 2019. This marks the largest number of police-reported hate crimes since comparable data became available in 2009, according to Statistics Canada. The far right can grow even in the most unlikely places. Keir Milburn, an author and researcher at the U.K. offices of the Rosa Luxemburg Foundation, an education and advocacy organization, points to the "cosmic right" — new-age, spiritual and wellness communities — as a growing concern.
	https://www.infomedia.gc.ca/ps- sp/fr/2022/1/12/242268428; "An				, ,	
2022-01-12 Miramichi Leader	emerging threat. Anti-vaxxers have 'become more desperate and angry''	Canada	5.1 National Security			Security experts, warn about rising militancy within the anti-vax movement and its potential for violent acts.
2022-01-13 BBC	https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us- canada-59989124	United States	5.1 National Security	5.1.1 Terrorism	IMVE (Right)	The leader of far-right militia group the Oath Keepers has been charged with seditious conspiracy over last year's attack on the US Capitol. Stewart Rhodes was among 11 people to be charged with the crime on Thursday. This is first time the sedition charge has been applied over the deadly riot. The sedition charge is defined as attempting "to overthrow, put down or to destroy by force the government of the United States".
2022-01-16 CNN	https://www.cnn.com/2022/01/16/euro pe/europe-covid-unvaccinated-society- cmd-intl/index.html	Europe	5.1 National Security			The latest rounds of COVID restrictions have fueled anger among those unwilling to take a shot, many of whom are now slipping out of society or resorting to subterfuge and rule-breaking to create their own communities, citing their right to "freedom."

2022-01-17	dw.com	https://www.dw.com/en/german-police- pressure-telegram-to-delete-far-right- content/a-60453402	Germany	5.1 National Security		IMVE (Right)	right-wing extremist and neo-Nazi users, especially those whose accounts on other platforms. Germany's police consider Telegram a space for radicalization and mobilization among the followers of people pushing conspiracy theories and far-right rhetoric. The new interior minister, Nancy Faeser, from the Social-	
2022-01-18	8 Al-Jazzera	https://www.bbc.com/news/59870550	United Kingdom	5.1 National Security			Opposition to Covid vaccinations has come in many forms, but none stranger than the "sovereign citizen" defence. Some anti-vaccination protesters outside schools and hospitals have used this to hand out fake legal documents to teachers, parents and health workers. Others have sought to remove Covid patients from intensive care wards, citing non-existent "common law" empowering them to do so. Some groups have even held training camps for their members. Images have emerged of black-clad men being coached in "direct action" techniques.	
2022-01-19		https://www.dw.com/en/romania-right- wing-extremists-target-german-mayor/a- 60467705		5.1 National Security			Timisoara, targeting the German mayor, Dominic Fritz. The far-right party behind the violence is becoming more popular and causing a major political problem. Although masks are compulsory indoors, no one was wearing one and there were no police to stop the crowd. Dozens of supporters of the right-wing extremist party, the Alliance for Romanian Unity (AUR), which picked up just under 10% of the vote and is the fourth-largest group in parliament, gathered in the city center. Also present	
2022-01-19	СВС	https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/trude au-says-no-new-laws-protect-politicians- 1.6320895	Canada				An RCMP spokesperson told CBC News in an email that Mounties have "seen an increase in the number of incidents that either occurred or were planned" at politicians' "residences or constituency offices. Those incidents seem to be targeting people at all levels of government. Earlier this month, protesters enraged by pandemic public health measures and vaccine mandates gathered outside Calgary Mayor Jyoti Gondek's home. Three provincial politicians in Ontario - Premier Doug Ford, Education Minister Stephen Lecce and Health Minister Christine Elliott - have been visited at home by protesters infuriated by lockdowns, school closures and vaccination programs.	
2022-01-19	rferl.org	https://www.rferl.org/a/bulgaria-covid-doctor-attacked-anti- vaxxer/31661890.html	Bulgaria	5.1 National Security			One of Bulgaria's most notorious anti-vaxxers, Ventsislav Angelov, attacked a doctor, Ivaylo Ivanov, at his office in Novo Selo,a village in northern Bulgaria. It's one of two attacks on medical personnel reported in Bulgaria in recent days.	
2022-01-20	independant.co.uk	https://www.independent.co.uk/news/ world/europe/antivaxxer-extremism- violence-plots-b1991710.html	Europe	5.1 National Security	5.1.1 Terrorism		Intelligence agencies fear the increasing threats and violent marches could start a new wave of extremism across Europe as mandatory vaccines and the so-called "Covid passes" take effect.	end?
2022-01-20	BBC	https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england- leeds-60071389	United Kingdom	5.1 National Security	5.1.1 Terrorism	IMVE (Right)	Four people accused of being members of a far-right cell "celebrated racist violence" and made pistol parts using a 3D printer, a Sheffield (UK) court has heard.	

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