

The Federal Liberals: Working Very Hard to Do Nothing About the Cadman Thing

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Well, by a few hours, [someone beat me to this](#). Since its contents are virtually identical to what I was going to say, I'll just let you bask in this absolutely spectacular commentary:

[Totally Unacceptable Response from Liberals on Cadscam](#)

Comments inserted inside the Liberal email:

The Cadman Affair



Dear Liberal Friend,

Over the last week we have witnessed Canadians' already fragile trust in the Harper Government dissolve as allegations of the Conservatives' 2005 attempt to acquire the vote of former MP Chuck Cadman come to light.

If anything, the Conservatives' knee-jerk reaction has been consistent over the years: when in trouble, intimidate, bristle and threaten litigation.

If the allegations prove correct, this attempted transaction is an affront to the democratic process and possibly a contravention of the law.

What the heck does that mean? If the "allegations prove correct" it's not "possibly a contravention of the law". It IS a bribe and HAS to be an affront to the democratic process of the country, if a criminal investigation leads to a conviction in the affair also known as Cadscam.

We Liberals will keep asking for the truth on the Chuck Cadman affair, both inside and outside of the House of Commons.

If your last paragraph is any indication, those questions aren't nearly tough enough.

Stephen Harper has acknowledged that it is his voice caught on tape admitting there were discussions regarding “financial considerations” between Conservative party officials and Mr. Cadman. Now, Mr. Harper must explain – without any of the ambiguity we have witnessed all week — what the nature of those discussions was.

We need your help to keep the Conservatives' feet to the fire on this disturbing issue. Canadians deserve the truth, and with your financial support, Liberals like Stéphane Dion, Michael Ignatieff, Ken Dryden, Marlene Jennings and Ralph Goodale will get to the bottom of this.

No way. Did the Liberal President just ask people to pay the party if we want them to continue to get to the bottom of this? What happens if we don't pay up? Will they stop asking questions in the House? Maybe they'll avoid more votes? It sounds like they are asking for bribes to do their job! Asking questions in and out of the House of Commons is FREE.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

The Honourable Marie-P. (Charette) Poulin, Senator
President

PS. Visit www.liberal.ca to learn more about the facts concerning this very important issue.

Any why isn't there an RCMP investigation into Cadscam yet? Did I miss the announcement of one starting? There's an [audio tape](#) confirming the Prime Minister knew that party officials were offering Cadman replacements for “financial considerations”. That's a BRIBE. You can't offer a Member of Parliament financial incentives for their vote, it's against the law. I'm completely ashamed of our country that we can let an entire week go by without formally investigating alleged criminal activity from the most powerful Canadian, caught on tape.

Maybe the [new Liberal forum](#) needs to be plagued with people asking the Liberals why they felt a donation request was a good idea in an email talking about politicians using bribery. They are turning

a career ending move by Harper, into an “ethics probe”. As if Canadians could give a fig about the ethical status of politicians, it’s rarely been a reason to vote them out before. The Conservatives preach all about criminals serving the time if someone does the crime; Live by the sword, die by it!