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D.F.O. Pissing Against the Wind

Fishermen are God's chosen people and the beast is born through politics. The Justice system is so corrupt it is collapsing the economy. Trust Agreements gave catch history to the wrong people. That is why I.T.Q. is not working. How can Trust Agreements be legal? I did not sign a trust agreement or grant any release of my historical quota through D.F.O, but lost my historical quota when the vessel I operated was sold to another party.

It is not my mistake that the Minister of Fisheries forgot to enforce Owner-Operator in the Fisheries Act for 18 years and lawyers knew the loopholes in creating trust agreements. Fishermen were tricked by Lawyers and Trust Agreements and lost their quotas. Big companies have been allowed through trust agreements to own and operate more than one vessel and license, pushing out independent fishermen. Many Fishers suspect that D.F.O. is deliberately allowing the destruction of the fishermen's livelihood and way of life. Many also speculate that our government wants to pave the way for Oil and Gas. Why don't the people vote on election day? It is the lack of belief in the Communist Regime in Ottawa.

Conservation means harvesting more fish each year and rebuilding fish stocks at the same time using Hook and Line. The fishery *is* a renewable resource but I believe fish stocks have not recovered because of the preferred harvesting method. Dragnets are destroying the habitat, food supply and quality of our Cod. The I.T.Q. system encourages self-destructive behavior through High-Grading and Discarding. Buying quota defeats a fisherman before they even leave the wharf, because their potential for profit has been destroyed. D.F.O. Conservation measures are keeping our fishery self-destructive.

I believe strongly that Owner-Operator must be put into place and enforced. The Owner of a vessel must be required to operate their vessel over 50% of the time. There should be no loopholes such as claiming to be "Sick" for extended periods of time. When renewing full time fishing licenses, each fisher must be sworn to be his/her own Fisheries Officer, to take responsibility for conserving their resource. I.T.Q. must be abandoned and replaced with a fair system. I suggest enacting a system of « Trip Limits» (half as much as your vessel can carry for Quality, Safety and Conservation purposes). Things must change or else it will be too late for our fishery.

When people stop caring about each other, we are all losers. Bureaucrats in Ottawa do not care about Atlantic Canadians and our fishery. The House of Commons says the Atlantic Fishery will be closed and they do not care how much hardship it brings. Jesus taught that in God's Kingdom, those who are bent on practicing evil will be removed, and whomever doesn't believe into- Him will lie in ever-lasting darkness.

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