



Living next to the United States “is like sleeping with an elephant. No matter how friendly or temperate the beast, one is affected by every twitch and grunt.

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, speech to the National Press Club, Washington, D.C. 29 March 1969

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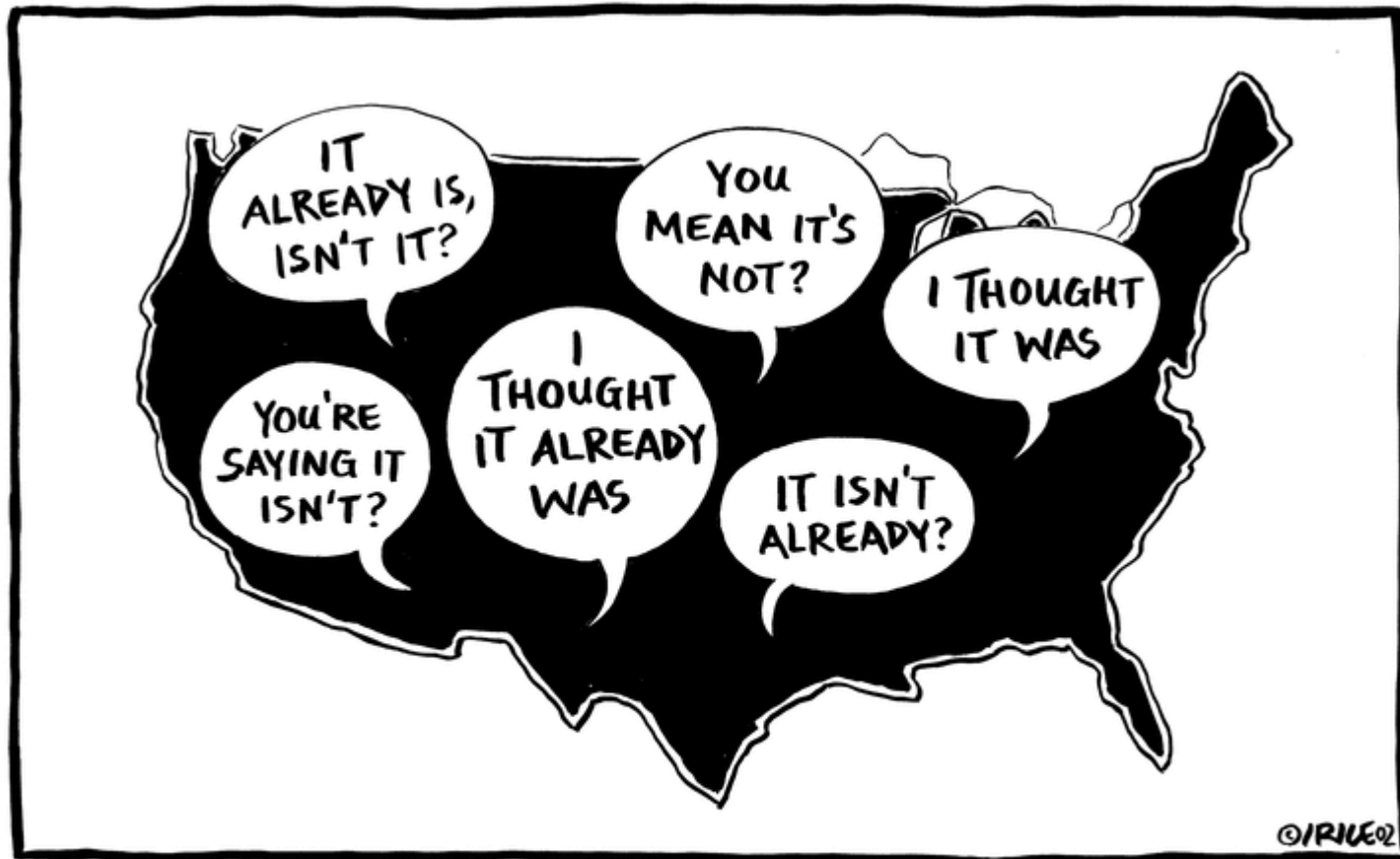
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Living With Our Neighbour Next Door:

Canada/US Relations, A Complex History

Professor Heidi Bohaker

Canada as the 51st state?



REACTION OF 6 OUT OF 10 AMERICANS TO A POLL SAYING
4 OF 10 AMERICANS WANT CANADA AS 51ST STATE

The “longest undefended border in the world.”



Asylum seekers crossing into Canada in January of 2017. (Paul Chiasson/THE CANADIAN PRESS.



February 25, 2017. REUTERS/Lyle Stafford

The Latest News

Trump insists 'trade wars are good, and easy to win' after vowing new tariffs"
Chicago Tribune, 2 March 2018



Donald J. Trump 
@realDonaldTrump



We are on the losing side of almost all trade deals. Our friends and enemies have taken advantage of the U.S. for many years. Our Steel and Aluminum industries are dead. Sorry, it's time for a change! MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN!

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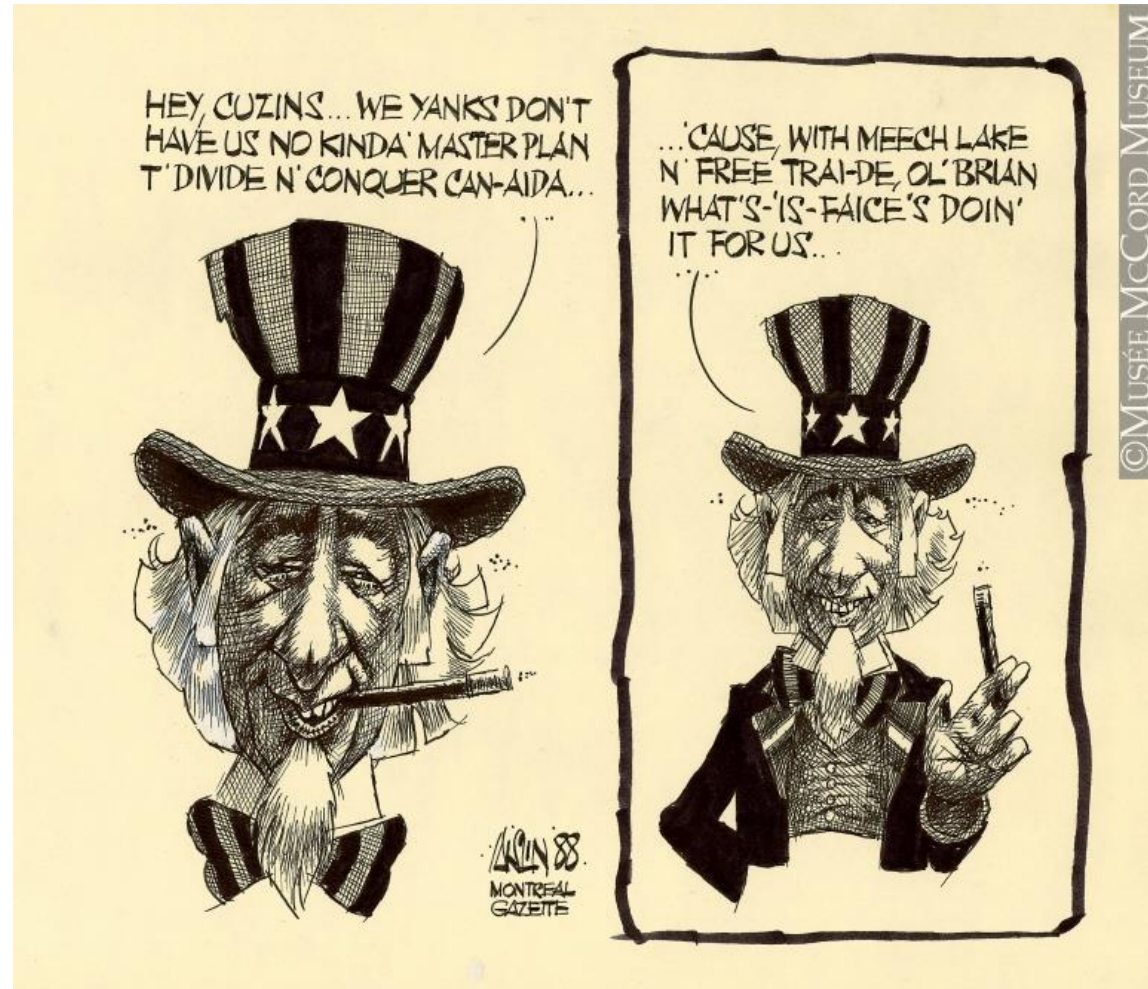


A Long And Complex Relationship from 1815 to today

1815-1867: Canadas were Britain's colonies – under imperial protection

1867-1845 Canada in Britain's orbit

1945- British influence declines globally, Canada moves as a result of wartime cooperation into US orbit.



United States and Canada Relations, [Aislin \(alias Terry Mosher\)](#), June 9, 1988,

Making & Maintaining the Canada-US Border

- The International Boundary Commission
- 1817 Rush-Bagot Agreement
 - No militarization of the Great Lakes
- 1842 Ashburton-Webster
- 1846 Oregon Treaty
- 1903 Alaska Boundary Dispute

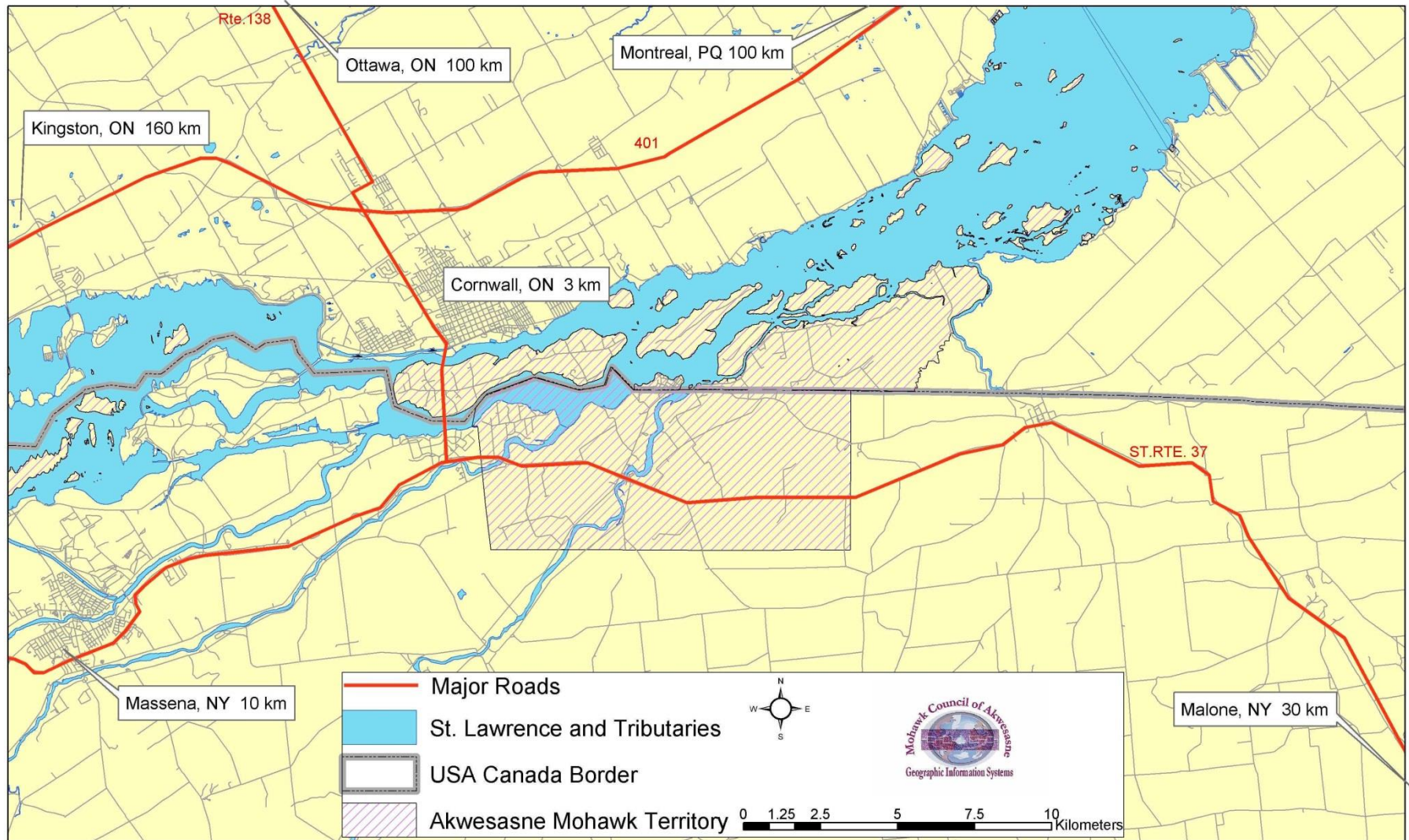
A Humorous Take:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qMkYlIA7mgw>



Image: *Vancouver Sun*

Jay's Treaty, Akwesasne, and Divided Homelands



Twentieth-Century Relations

- ▶ Drawing Closer, Post WWI
 - ▶ Negotiating Treaties for Shared Resources
 - ▶ The Halibut Treaty of 1923 – Pacific Fishing Rights, first treaty negotiated/signed by Canada without UK involvement.
 - ▶ Concerns over Culture – CBC Radio 1936
- ▶ World War II
 - ▶ 1940 Odgenberg Agreement



Post WWII

Defining a new role for Canada

- Defence integration but NOT subordination
- Economic integration but NOT dependence

Drawing, cartoon

Pearson Bow Tie.

John Collins

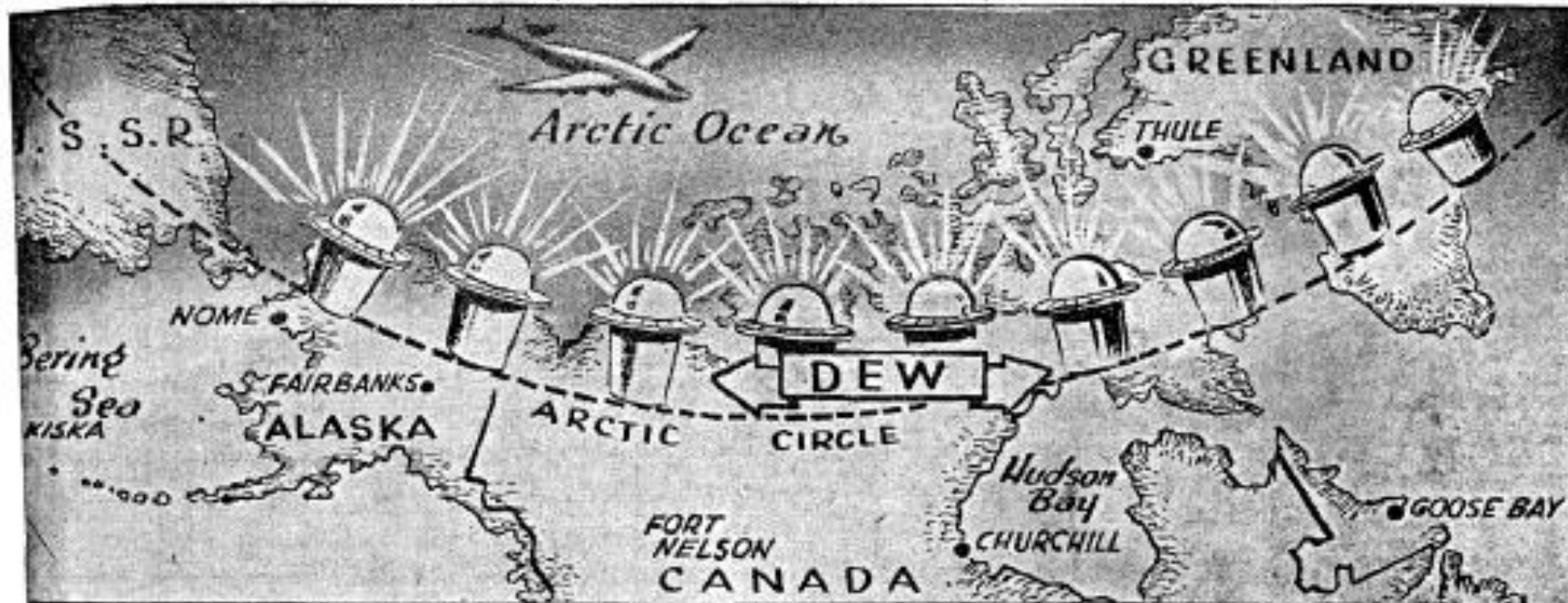
1954, 20th century

Ink, graphite and
watercolour on paper



Cold War Canada

- ▶ NATO, 1949
- ▶ **Korea, 1950-53**
- ▶ NORAD, 1957



By giving the U.S. the right to build the Dew line across the Arctic the St. Laurent government has yielded another chunk of Canadian sovereignty.

Avro Arrow



The Peacekeeping Tradition

- ▶ Canadian forces have served in peacekeeping and/or observer missions operations in Egypt, Republic of Congo, New Guinea, Yemen, Cyprus
- ▶ 1948-1988: 10% of total UN peacekeeping forces were Canadian
- ▶ Falls out of favour in 1960s/70s.
- ▶ Missions since: Somalia, (92-93), the Balkans (Bosnia/Croatia, 92-95), Rwanda (93-96), Haiti (1996-2000)



2001-2014: War in Afghanistan

- ▶ Canada joins US-led coalition in wake of 9/11



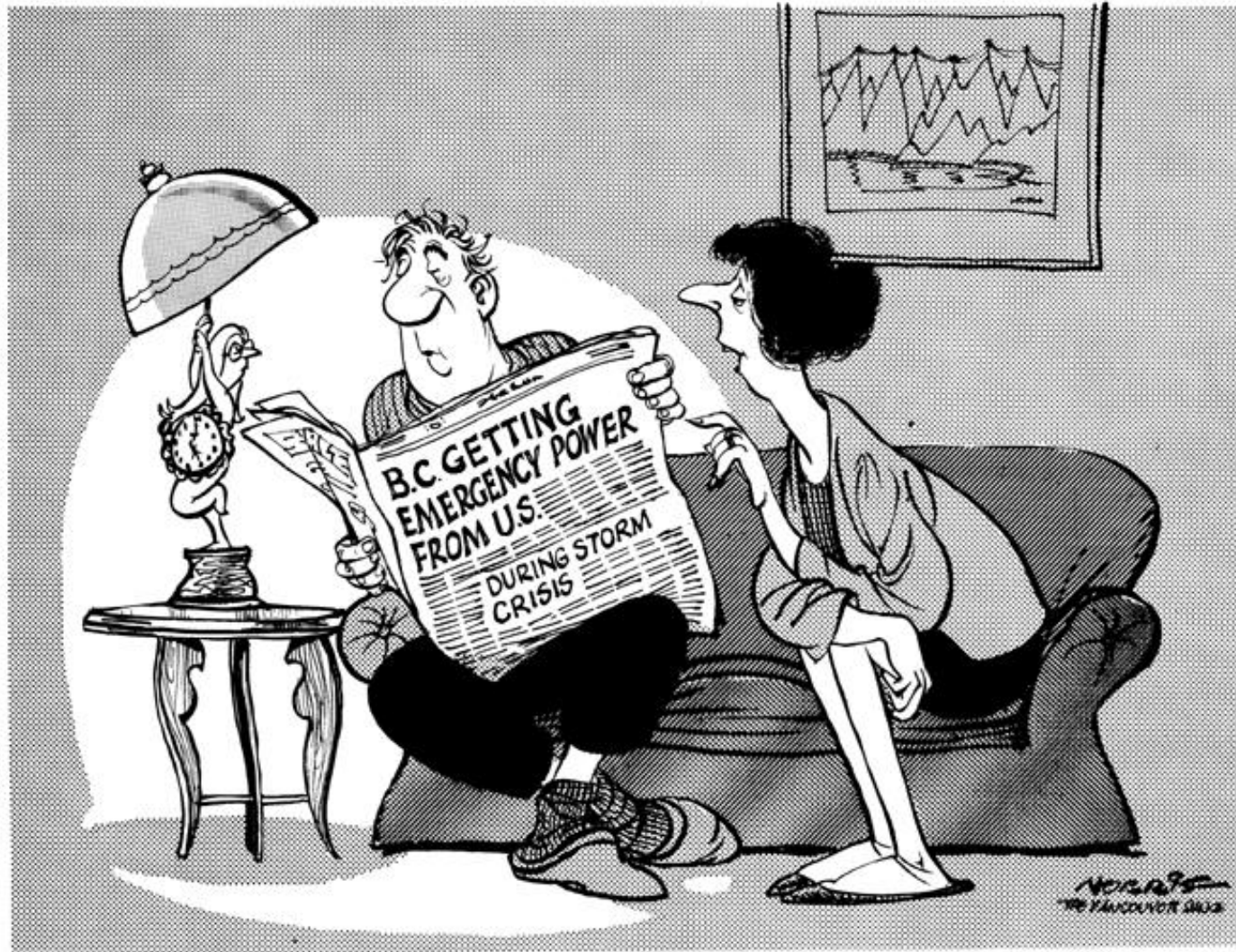
See Canadian War Museum for an excellent online exhibit:
<http://www.warmuseum.ca/learn/#online-resources>



Top: Harjit Sajjan, Current Minister of Defense, in Afghanistan on deployment.
Right: Capt. Nichola Goddard, 1st Canadian women killed in combat.
Right: Handing over Canadian base in Kandahar to the US.



Energy Integration: Electric Grid, Pipelines.



I'm glad to see you're able to hold your Committee for an Independent Canada meeting ...” Len Norris, 26 January 1972, *Vancouver Sun*



Relations between Leaders

President Kennedy and Prime Minister Diefenbaker



► In Ottawa, 1961, [Canadian Press/Library and Archives Canada

President Johnson and Prime Minister Pearson



PHOTO: Pearson's 1965 visit to President Johnson's LBJ Ranch.
UPI/National Archives of Canada
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PHOTO: PM Pearson and American President Johnson
sign the Autopact, 1965.
DFAIT/Government of Canada

President Nixon and Prime Minister P. E. Trudeau



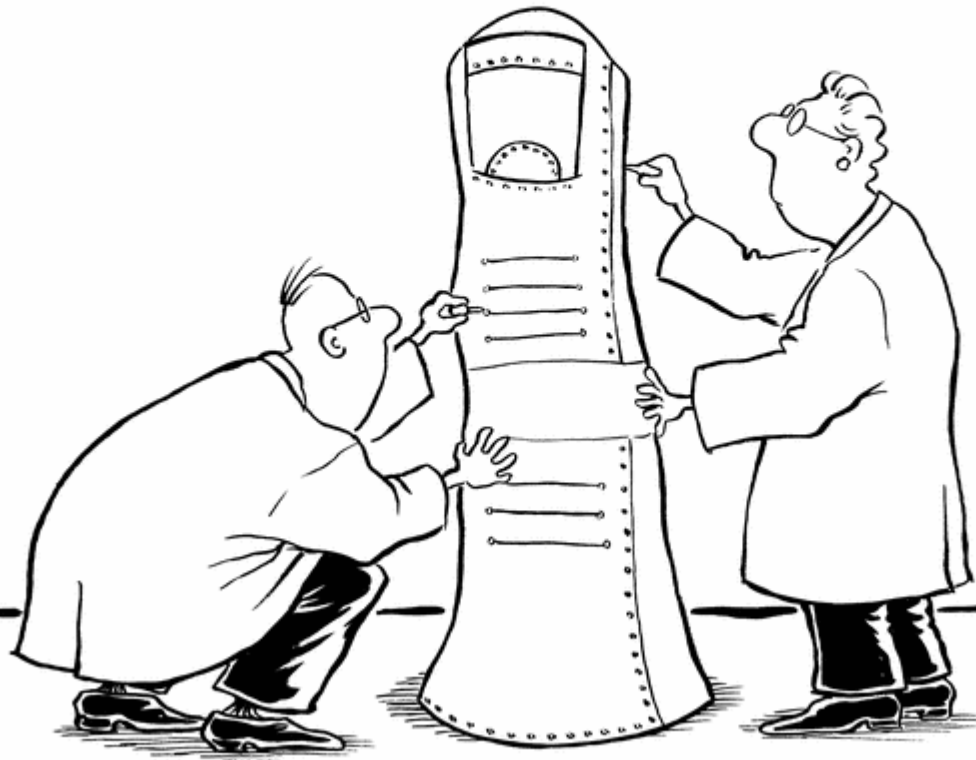
► March 25, 1969 in Washington. (Henry Burroughs/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS)

Agreeing to Disagree



Ingrid Rice, *Vancouver Sun*, 1996

FLUSHED WITH SUCCESS OVER NASA'S RECEPTION OF THE
CANADAHAND, TECHNICIANS BEGIN WORK ON THE
CANADIAN CONTRIBUTION TO THE HELMS-BURTON ACT



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President Reagan and Prime Minister Mulroney



Singing “Irish Eyes” at
the Shamrock Summit.



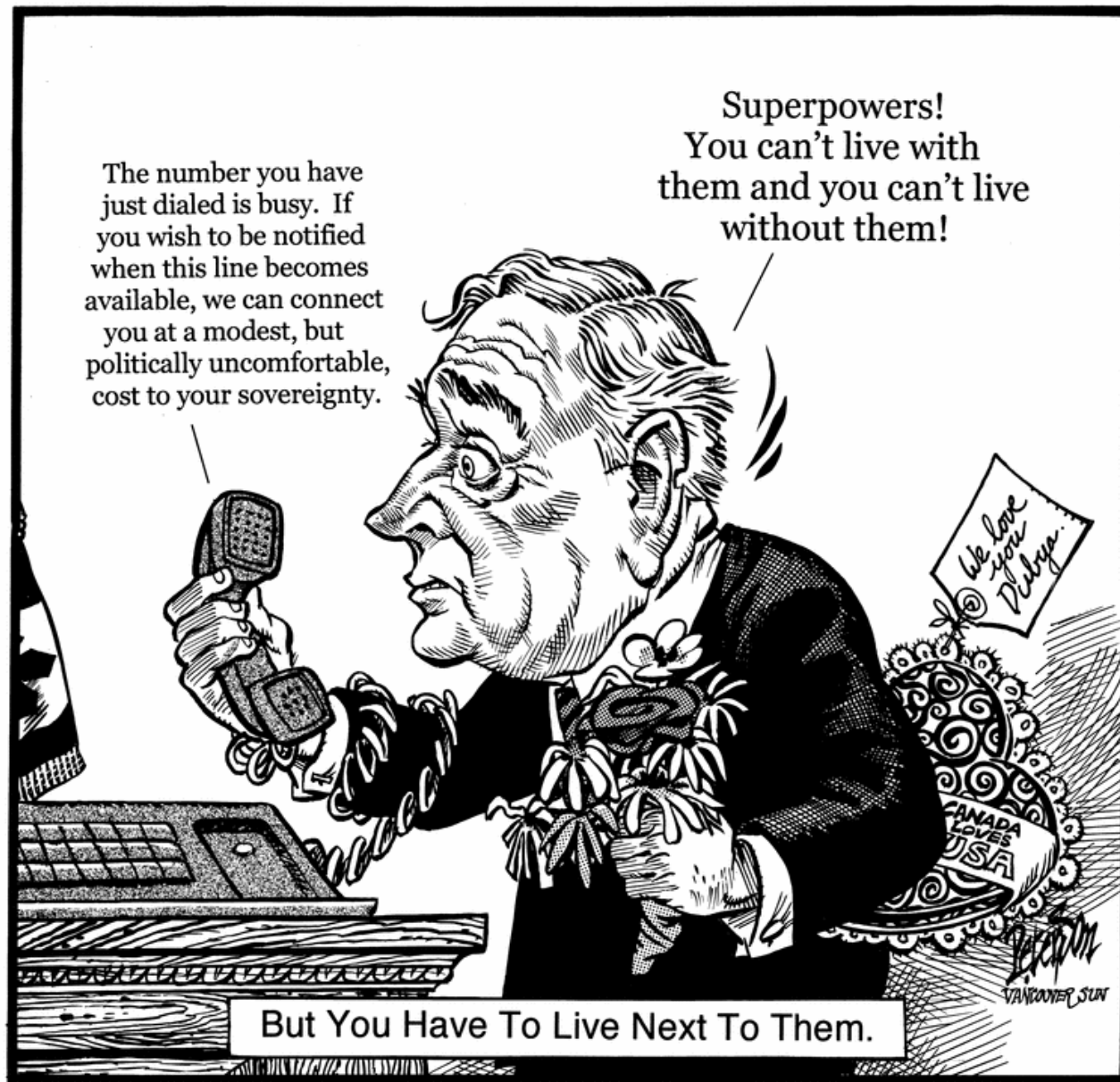


BEHIND CLOSED DOORS AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Ingrid Rice, 8 April 1997, Simon Fraser University Library Editorial Cartoons Collection.



Roy Peterson, *Vancouver Sun*, 2004



Fisheries Disputes continue





LLOYD AXWORTHY'S POSITION IN THE U.S./CANADA SALMON NEGOTIATIONS

NO CURRENCY, NO BORDER... NO COUNTRY.*



* LIBERALS TO DISCUSS
UNIFIED CURRENCY AND
REMOVAL OF CANADIAN
U.S. BORDER!

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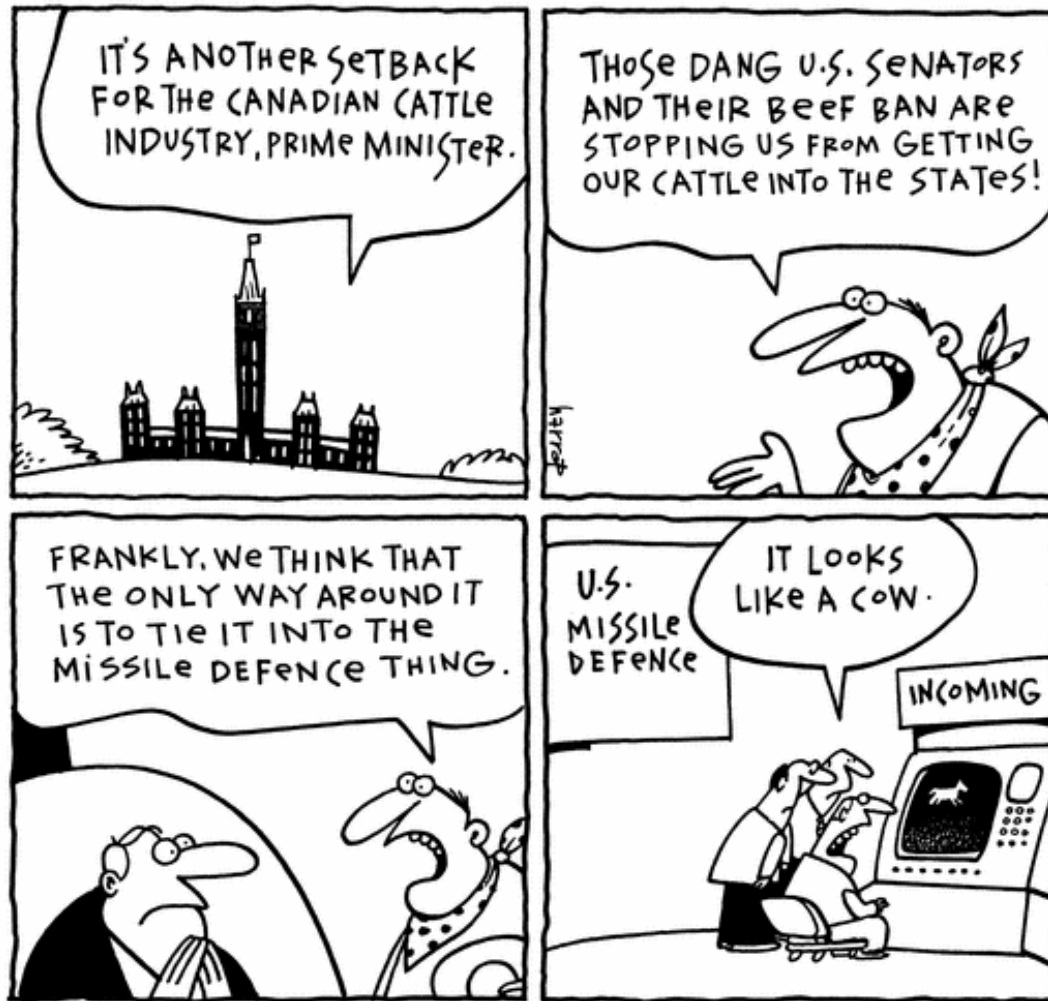
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The give and take of bilateral negotiations



► Graham Harrop, March 7, 2005. *Vancouver Sun*

President Trump and Prime Minister Trudeau





THAT'S ALL!



See you Thursday

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