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In audio recording, Trudeau says Bill C-24 makes citizenship conditional upon 'good behaviour'

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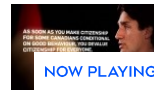
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CTV News has obtained a recording leaked by the Conservative Party of Justin Trudeau's answer in July to a question about Bill C-24, a law that allows

dual citizens – those who are convicted terrorists – to be stripped

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Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau says revoking terrorists' citizenship is not the answer, Laurie Graham reports.

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n July. On that same day, he tweeted about the “great discussions” in Winnipeg.

Trudeau also told the group that revoking a terrorist’s citizenship is not the answer, and that Bill C-24 “exemplifies the Conservatives’ approach to politics.”

“There are penalties for anyone convicted of a terrorism or an act of war or offence against Canada – they end up locked up in jail for the rest of their lives. “

But one member of the Toronto 18, convicted of being involved in the plot to bomb the city, has already been paroled. The so-called mastermind behind

the plot is eligible for release next year, and the government announced Friday plans to revoke his citizenship and deport him to Jordan – the first such case in Canada since the new law was enacted.

The Conservatives criticize Trudeau for telling his Winnipeg audience the revocation of citizenship allowed in Bill C-24 is about "good behaviour," when it actually is intended to target dual citizens who have been convicted of terrorism here or abroad convicted of treason, spying, or armed conflict against Canada

“Mr. Trudeau’s position suggests that he really doesn’t value Canadian citizenship,” Conservative candidate Jason Kenney said. “If you can take up arms against this country, join a terrorist organization that wants to commit mass violence against your fellow citizens –you’re forfeiting your own citizenship.”

Canada is not the only country to revoke citizenship. The United Kingdom, Australia and France have passed similar legislation.

At a campaign stop in Regina Saturday, Conservative candidate Jason Kenney confirmed that Zakaria Amara, a Jordanian-Canadian and member of the so-called Toronto 18, has been formally stripped of his Canadian citizenship.

Now that Amara's Canadian citizenship has been revoked, a plan has been set in motion to deport him to Jordan.

CTV News has learned that the process has begun for at least three other convicted terrorists to have their Canadian citizenships revoked.



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NDP Leader Tom Mulcair is also opposed to C-24 and on Sunday made clear his rationale. "What if it's bank robbery," Mulcair said, "or what if it's, they just don't like the country you're from and they want to send you back?"

Tonight in a statement, the Liberals wouldn't comment on the specifics of the audio recording but stand by their position: that convicted terrorists belong in prison.

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Trudeau has a very naive view of the world. Dual citizens who are convicted as terrorists should have their citizenship revoked. All parties should support a measure that is the norm in most other countries as well.

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Terrorists should get to keep their citizenship????
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And this is one more reason why I will be voting Conservative...

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I agree 100% with stripping citizenship from these,'Oh please let me come to your country so I can commit terrorist acts against you' types. I honestly don't know how Trudeau or Mulcair can try and justify disagreeing with revoking thier 'Second' Canadian citizenship. I would extend it to include those who commit murder or sexual assault once they're here as well.

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So a dual citizen commits a terrorist act against our country, and they belong in prison living off our tax-dollars? No party has everything 100% right, and that doesn't mean that you automatically have to vote for the other side ... but I would hope that

even Liberal- and NDP-supporters can acknowledge that such a stance is incredibly disloyal to Canada!

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Mr. Trudeau would you have a person who wants to kill Canadians living in Canada when that person has citizenship in another country? Shame on you !

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bye bye Trudeau!

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"revoking a terrorist's citizenship is not the answer" Golly Gee. Now I know who I want to vote for! The Liberals gave us no Capital Punishment. Now they want to keep convicted Terrorists in Canada for the remainder of their lives at taxpayers expense rather than deport them. This makes me GAG!

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Well, Justin, I think that the vast majority of normal Canadians will disagree with you on that matter.

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Hey Tom if it's good enough for your home of France it's good enough for Canada.

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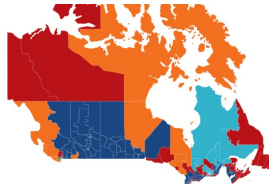
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