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## CANADA HAS FALLEN

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(OTTAWA) With Ottawa Police arresting people for waving flags and standing in defence of their Charter Rights, Randy Hillier expressed his outrage at the stunning silence coming from Parliament, especially conservative members, who once were stalwart defenders of the Charter.

"Our elected representatives' primary responsibility is the safeguarding of the people's Charter Rights, yet not one MP came out and publicly condemned the actions of the police and our Prime Minister today," said Hillier. "They are too cowardly to even debate the Emergencies Act, while it is executed upon the people they represent."

Hillier noted the unprecedented violation of civil rights occurring in Ottawa. "When the police are sent to charge and arrest non-violent protesters, and banks are authorized to seize the accounts of the Prime Minister's political opponents, we know democracy has fallen," said Hillier.

"This is not only a very dark day for Canada, but for all western liberal democracies," Hillier added. "I call upon all elected representatives from all levels of government to come to Ottawa, honour your oath, and come defend our Charter."

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