



News from around the World

UK

8 Million Lives Too Many

*Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, UK
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Today, on the 50th Anniversary of the 1967 Abortion Act, crowds gathered outside Parliament for a minute's silence commemorating the over 8.8 million lives lost to abortion.

SPUC joined representatives of other pro-life organisations to mark this tragic anniversary with a minute's silence from 11:04am - the moment Royal Assent for the Bill was declared 50 years ago.

United Nations

UN Committee opposes abortion based on disabilities – *LifeSiteNews.com Thu 26 Oct, 2017*

The support group Every Life Counts has warmly welcomed the submission of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), which says that allowing abortion on disability grounds violates the UN Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities.

Tanya Coonan of Every Life Counts said that parents were very pleased that the UN Committee had also rejected the "incompatible with life" label that she said was used to dehumanise and discriminate against babies with a severe disability.

"We went to the UN in Geneva in 2015 and we asked that this label be recognised as a form of discrimination which was undermining the humanity of our babies and misleading parents, so we are especially delighted that the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities has rejected the "incompatible with life" label," she said.

In their response to draft General Comment No36 of the Human Rights Committee, the UN Disability Rights

body wrote specifically that "Laws which explicitly allow for abortion on grounds of impairment violate the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (Art, 4,5,8)."

CANADA

Death with Dignity? Think again. Canada's suicide activists are coming for your children

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When the command to legalize euthanasia came down from the Canadian Supreme Court, suicide activists were ecstatic. At long last, they said, people suffering horribly would have the opportunity to "die with dignity" – that is, kill themselves. Not only that, they could kill themselves with the help of a physician, and the whole thing would be funded by the government. It was Progress, we were told. The recently-discovered yet unalienable right not to exist anymore was finally being respected by the courts.

But of course, the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide for those nearing the end of their lives – or at least those whose deaths could be "reasonably foreseen," which permitted the Orwellian activists to label lethal injections and suicide assistance as "end of life care" – was not nearly enough. This is despite the fact that the number of people who have decided to avail themselves of this service is staggeringly high: 1,982 deaths between June 17, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

It is not surprising that suicide is becoming more common than anyone expected. One Canadian judge has already indicated that a patient need not be terminal in order to qualify for killing – and one euthanized woman may have only had a bladder infection. There have been other suspect killings, as well. One disabled woman was even pressured to accept euthanasia. No one talks about them

much, of course. Collateral damage is an expected side effect of euthanasia regimes. There will be many, many more in the years to come...

Of the 1,050 pediatricians who participated in a Canadian Paediatric Surveillance Program (CPSP), 118 said that over the course of a year, they had MAID (medical assistance in dying)-related discussions with a total of 419 parents; most of the minors in question were children under the age of 13. When it came to explicit MAID requests, 45 doctors said they dealt with a total of 91 parents. Nearly half of the requests related to infants less than one month old.

People have a tendency to forget about issues like assisted suicide and euthanasia once the political brouhaha has settled down and it vanishes from the headlines. But it is important to remember that the suicide activists aren't done yet. They aren't satisfied with the current borders of the euthanasia regime, and have said to anyone willing to listen that they intend to see it vastly expanded. The media is on their side – the overt hostility of radio interviewers towards anyone who disagrees with assisted suicide is nauseating to listen to. The time for vigilance is not over simply because euthanasia is now legal. Suicide activists want more. Next, they'll come for the children.

ICELAND

Down Syndrome children – lucky to make it to birth –Iceland

News from Iceland, sadly confirms that on average just two people are born with Down Syndrome each year. The rest are killed by abortion. Eugenics writ large! Sadly – the news on this in Australia is not much better. If you are diagnosed in the womb with Down Syndrome in this country – you are lucky to make it to birth!