TRUDEAU INVOKES EMERGENCIES ACT FOR FIRST TIME TO CLEAR BLOCKADES

Order gives police, banks sweeping powers to fine, imprison and seize assets of protesters

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Trade Minister David Lametti said cabinet hopes to revive talks amid the 50 day time-frame granted under the law. Mr. La- metti said he believes the govern- ment has not the constraints required to the declaration, which include the cite of provocation or risk that these platforms receive risk that these platforms receive

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We are told that Feb 16 will be the day of attack, but we will make it the Day of Unity in Canada.

A demonstrator receives gas cans from the back of a vehicle in front of Parliament Hill as the protest in Ottawa continues on Monday.

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Canada to send weapons, $500 million loan to Ukraine as Kyiv braces for war with Russia

Canada is providing lethal weapons to Ukraine and a $500-million loan as the Eastern European country gears for possible war with Russia.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said Monday his government has approved the shipment of 8,000 million dollars of weapons and ammuni- tion “in light of the seriousness of the situation” facing Ukraine.

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Prime Minister Justin Trudeau has given the federal govern- ment, police and financial institu- tions sweeping powers, invo- lving the Emergencies Act for the first time, to quell protests against pandemic restrictions that have blocked Ottawa and border crossings.

Mr. Trudeau said the precu- rses follow moves by Saskatchewan, Alberta and Manitoba to either eliminate or announce plans to scrap their own simi- lar regimes.

Mr. Ford said his government is making the changes based on a recommendation from Dr. Moore on the weak- end and not in an attempt to appease the protesters clag- ging outside the legislature and the Ambassador Bridge between Windsor and Detroit.

“Let me be very clear: we’re moving in this direction because it’s safe to do so,” Mr. Ford said.

Ontario is also opening up Fluor booster doses as of Fri- day to those who are aged 12 to 17 and six months past their second dose.

In Quebec, Premier François Legault said he would dis- cuss his province’s vaccine-passport system with public health authorities at a weekly meeting on Monday evening Health Minister Christian Dube said that the province may suspend the vaccine passport if the COVID-19 situation con- tinues to improve.

Ontario plans to scrap its vaccine-certificate system in two weeks and end capacity limits for restaurants, bars and gyms in days, in a significant acceleration of plans to re- move COVID-19 restrictions.

Making rules are to remain in place for now. And busi- nesses will be too, for now, much lower in the province’s proof-of-vaccination system if they choose.

Ontario Premier Doug Ford and his Chief Medical Officer of Health Kieran Moore said on Monday that hospital ad- missions are declining and the vaccination rate is high enough to allow the province to speed up previously announced timelines for lifting restrictions.

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Is Emergencies Act too much? Time will tell

For now, Canadians will wait to see Trudeau’s leadership in this crisis

John Ibbitson

OPINION

By invoking the Emergencies Act, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and Ontario Premier Doug Ford have both faced challenges in co-operating in the redistribution of dominion Ottawa.

Federal and provincial leaders will now have greater resources to handle the pandemic crisis, capital, supplementing and partially dictating the role of the Canada Revenue Service, while also doing away with the use of force.

While it would be wrong Vio-. Inactive. But providing the public with the ability to redress a constitutional right, the public will support reasonable measures to restore the aut-

 Throne. The act creates a new political entity in Ottawa, which is more likely to take over the operation in Ottawa. After last July’s announce-

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But Errol Mendes, a law professor at Carleton Univer-


Emergencies Act: Government hasn’t met threshold to invoke measure. Canadian Civil Liberties Association says

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This has long been a thorny issue for Trudeau, as he has faced criticism for his handling of the pandemic crisis. Trudeau’s signing of the Emergencies Act on March 27 was widely criticized by civil liberties groups and has faced legal challenges.

The act, which was passed in December 2019, grants the federal government extraordinary powers to address a range of issues, including pandemic response, national security, and economic stabilization. The act has been cited by the government to justify restrictions on travel and the use of force to enforce public health orders.

However, the Canadian Civil Liberties Association (CCLA) has argued that the government’s use of the act has been excessive.

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