

THE GEM

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Opinion Column

War Games

Last weekend I attended a presentation, by representatives of the Innu nation, the indigenous people of Nitassinan (parts of Labrador and northern Quebec) about their struggle to stop low-level warplane test flights over their land. They showed great courage to speak to strangers about their hardships in opposing the destruction of their culture and way of life.

Our federal government is exposing its hypocrisy by inviting NATO to use Labrador for its training. Mulroney becomes an "environmentalist" and makes peace proposals to Gorbachov and Bush, while NATO practices offensive War Games, destroying sections of Labrador designated as bombing ranges and terrorizing the Innu people with the extreme noise of fighter jets roaring by as

low as 30 meters overhead.

At the same time, Mulroney ignores all pleas and proposals to continue and increase the useful work of the Search and Rescue Squadron at CFB Summerside. Islanders must not accept plans for huge expenditures of federal money for the militarization (destruction) of Labrador, when Summerside is being sacrificed for deficit reduction.

The Innu people have filed for legal injunctions to stop the NATO training program which the federal government intends to announce in December. Donations maybe sent to:

"Innu Defense Fund"
AFN 3rd floor, Atruim Building,
47 Clarence St. Ottawa, Ontario



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We must also write to the prime minister - letters are effective! Anyone wanting more information can contact me!

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