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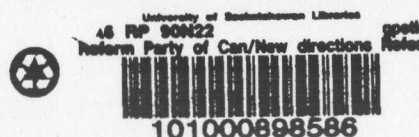
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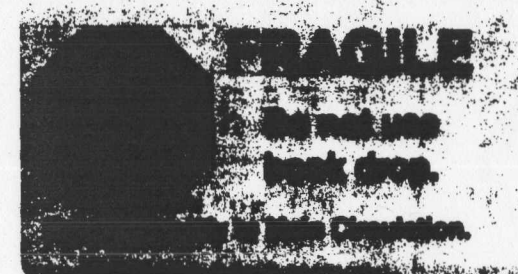
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New Directions

The Reform Party of Canada was founded in Winnipeg in 1987 to work for constructive changes in the federal political system to achieve:

Better Representation of the views of Canadians in the federal Parliament, even if these conflict with the views of the traditional Party establishments, on issues like the Meech Lake Accord, official languages, the G.S.T. and Federal Government spending.

Fairness and Balance in the treatment of the economic and constitutional interests and concerns of all Canadians, regardless of their race, language, culture, or region of residence.

Senate Reform to ensure regional interests are appropriately represented in Parliament and that Senate representatives are democratically elected rather than put into place through patronage appointments.

A New Vision of Canada sufficient to inspire and guide this Country's entry into the 21st century.

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The Reform Movement

All over the world, especially in eastern Europe and the Soviet Union, reform movements have risen to challenge governments and parties that have ignored the will of the people.

While Canada is blessed with democratic freedoms, nevertheless our federal government is showing a disturbing tendency to impose constitutional, linguistic, and taxation policies which the public does not support. Many feel that Canada has moved away from a system of "representative and responsible democracy" toward a system of "executive federalism" reinforced by party discipline.

It is appropriate, therefore, to remind Canadians that we have our own "reform tradition":

- Prior to Confederation, Upper Canada, Lower Canada, and the Maritime colonies all had Reform parties which worked to replace colonial rule with representative and responsible government.
- Western Canada has produced five reform movements since 1870 (Riel, the Autonomy movement, the Progressive Party, the Social Credit movement, and the CCF) which worked outside the traditional federal parties to secure economic, social, and constitutional reforms.

Many Canadians feel the time has come to revive the reform tradition in Canada, under the banner of the Reform Party of Canada, and to use it to prepare Canada constitutionally, economically, and socially for the 21st century.

REFORM
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1991 Plans

- Co-ordinating speaking tours by Preston Manning, Deborah Grey, Stan Waters and other party spokespersons to raise the profile of the Party, particularly in areas where we are not well known.
- Preparing for the expected federal by-election in the Vancouver Quadra riding.
- Conducting Political Development Workshops to develop a new type of Federal Politician and Constituency Organization for the 21st century.
- Publishing and distributing our monthly news tabloid, THE REFORMER.
- Raising sufficient funds to finance current operations and build a war chest for the next federal election.
- Holding a major Party Assembly (Saskatoon, April 4-7, 1991) to update and deepen our Party policies and elect a new Executive Council.
- Conducting a party-wide referendum on the issues of party expansion and provincial involvement.
- Launching a constituency-driven Candidate Recruitment and Election Readiness Program in preparation for the next federal election.

Rapid Growth

The REFORM PARTY began with some 3000 members. Today it has well over 50,000 members and is growing rapidly.

Reformers come from every walk of life and age group. REFORM PARTY Students' Societies are being formed at various universities.

The Party contested 72 ridings in Western Canada and received 275,000 votes in the 1988 Federal election.

Deborah Grey, the Party's first Member of Parliament, was elected in the Beaver River by-election in March of 1989, taking almost half the votes cast in a four-way contest.

Stan Waters was appointed to the Senate in 1990 after winning the Alberta Senate Nomination election of 1989. Senator Waters won that election with 260,000 votes, defeating the closest of his six rivals by a 2-to-1 margin.

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Get Involved



- ☐ Become a member of the REFORM PARTY OF CANADA (enclose \$10.00 cheque payable to REFORM FUND CANADA) Receipts issued for contributions of \$10.00 and over. Receipts not issued for membership fees..
- ☐ Make a financial contribution to the REFORM PARTY OF CANADA (make cheque payable to REFORM FUND CANADA). NOTE: With your pledge of \$10 per month or \$120 to support the Party you will automatically receive an attractive Reform memento. Contributors are eligible for the federal tax credit i.e., a \$120 contribution is eligible for an \$85 tax credit so that the actual out-of-pocket cost is \$35.
- ☐ Assist REFORM CONSTITUENCY ASSOCIATION activity in your riding such as membership recruitment, information initiatives, organization, fund raising, and policy development.
- ☐ Organize a local meeting for REFORM PARTY spokespersons.
- ☐ Request additional information such as:
 - Reform Party Policy Platform
 - The Party monthly news tabloid, THE REFORMER, to distribute in your area (cost: \$50.00 per 1,000 plus shipping and handling costs).

