

INSUFFICIENT FUNDS AND BROKEN PROMISES



WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO MEET THE MINIMUM



ON THE HEELS OF THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY

OF D-DAY, Canadians spent time remembering and celebrating the "Greatest Generation."

- During WWII, Canada played an integral role in sustaining the war effort and liberating Europe.
- By the end of the war, Canada had the third largest navy in the world.
- Our veterans' sacrifices are still celebrated (rightly so) in international circles today.

Unfortunately, today's generation of Canadians only knows of chronic underfunding and a reliance on our neighbors to the south to keep our border safe.

- While other countries have sustained their armed forces and worked hard to maintain world peace, Canada has chosen politics and public appearances over investment. Oh Canada, indeed.

AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF NATO, we have an obligation to meet the minimum standards of maintaining a military spend equivalent to 2% of GDP.

- Canada's military spend in 2024 will be 1.36% of GDP, with no clear path to reach 2%.
- 23 of the 32 NATO countries will hit the 2% target in 2024.

- Canada, the 9th largest economy in the world, is ranked 27th in defense spending amongst our NATO allies.

A hallmark of the Canadian business environment has been safety, regulation and clear government oversight.

- As international trade opened (facilitated by strong U.S. and NATO powers), Canada's industry thrived.
- But with so many issues abroad, shipping routes and trade relations are at risk.

It's time for Canada to stand on our own two feet and re-establish ourselves on the world stage as a country that maintains democracy and the stability of international trade.



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