

Public Lecture and Discussion

Pacifist-Friendly Legislation in Canada: Can C-390, C-440, C-447 Contribute to a More Peaceful Society?

Date: Saturday April 2, 3:00pm

Location: The Great Hall of Conrad Grebel University College, University of Waterloo

Speaker: Paul Heidebrecht, PhD, Director of Mennonite Central Committee Ottawa



Background: Three private members bills relating to Conscientious Objectors (COs) in Canada have been proposed recently. These bills concern the U.S. Iraq War Resisters (C-440), the establishment of a federal Department of Peace (C-447), and a legal means for COs to divert the military portion of their income tax toward peaceful purposes (C-390). Mennonite Central Committee's Ottawa Director, Paul Heidebrecht, will discuss the status, merits and limitations of these three bills.

General discussion to follow. The event is sponsored by the Centre for the Study of Religion and Peace, the department of Peace and Conflict Studies and Conscience Canada.

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