

Canada, Deeply Embedded in the U.S. War Machine

During the 2003 War in Iraq, the Liberal government's public relations efforts have successfully maintained the false appearance that Canada decided to take a stance against the war. For the most part, the mainstream media blindly accepted such official statements at face value and did not question whether or not Canada truly had opposed or stayed out of the conflict. Media discourse revolved almost exclusively around the following types of questions:

- Why did Canada's government stay out of the Iraq war?
- Was Canada's non-participation in the war advisable?
- What effects did this decision to opt out of the Iraq war have on Canada-U.S. relations?

Contrary to relentless government pronouncements, prevailing media discourse and the resulting public perspective, Canada is as thoroughly and inextricably embedded in the U.S. war machine as the American journalists who used Canadian-made "Norsat NewsLink" terminals to transmit their live digital propaganda from Iraq.

The pretense that the Canadian government actually opted out of a particular U.S. war, should be laughable. Canadian military contractors are completely integrated into the U.S. military procurement system. In fact, the U.S.-Canada Defence Production Sharing Agreements, officially spell out Canadian industrial subservience to U.S. military needs: Canada's military contractors are considered part of the U.S. "defence industrial base" and are actually defined as U.S. *domestic* sources of supply.

Canada is as inextricably "embedded" in this war as we have been in so many previous U.S. invasions, interventions and attacks. Thousands of essential Canadian components, snugly implanted into dozens of war machines, have been playing their part in battles waged from the air,

land and sea.

Thanks to the Canadian government, hundreds of Canadian companies freely export military components to the U.S. military. The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade (DFAIT) imposes absolutely no restrictions on this shadowy trade. Permits are not required for any war technology sold to the U.S. Meanwhile, in form letters designed to placate Canadians with the nerve to complain about the Canada-U.S. arms trade, DFAIT officials proudly profess that their guidelines controlling these matters are among the strictest in the world.

The shameful reality is that the Canadian government has never done a single thing to curb arms exports to the U.S. despite the fact that it has waged countless overt and covert wars, and killed millions of innocent victims. What's worse, various government departments and crown corporations, including DFAIT, the Canadian Commercial Corporation, Export Development Corporation, National Research Council, and Industry Canada have done everything in their power to aid, abet and even reward Canadian military contractors for their deadly exports to the U.S.

Notes on Table 8 and 9: A check mark in the "Iraq War 2003" column means this "Weapon System" was definitely used in Iraq. However, it is possible that those left unchecked may also have been used in Iraq.

Sources: Data for Tables 8 and 9 comes from "FY2002 - ST08" and "FY2001 - ST08" (Weapons System, Contractor, Work Performed, and \$)," published by Directorate for Information Operations and Reports, Washington Headquarter Services, U.S. Department of Defense: <www.dior.whs.mil/peidhome/procstat/procstat.htm>

Table 8: Canadian Corporations Selling Parts and/or Services to the U.S. Military (2001 -2002)

Canadian Corporation	Weapon System	Iraq War 2003	Canadian components and/or services	Year	Value (\$US)
Active Gear Co. Cda	UH-60	✓	R&D, testing & evaluation/tank - automotive	2001	65,830
	LAV	✓	"	2002	69,900
Acton International	A-1		Footwear, men's	2001	68,200
Aircraft Appl.&Equip	UH-60	✓	Electrical control equipment	2002	1,328,696
Automatic Armature	AN/SQS-53		Technology studies	2001	1,987,425
Bristol Aerospace Ltd	SH-60		Airframe structural components	2002	64,804
	UH-60	✓	"	2002	525,948
Canam Circuit Breakers	Oiler-AO		Repair of non-nuclear ships	2001	821,520
CMC Electronics Inc	AH-1J	✓	Guided missile remote control systems	2002	15,714,668
	AH-64	✓	Misc. Electrical and electronic components	2002	515,440
	AH-64	✓	Engine instruments	2002	88,549
	AH-64	✓	Engine instruments	2001	78,872
	AH-64	✓	Electrical & electronic measuring & testing instruments	2001	30,913
	E-2	✓	Automatic data processing input/output & storage devices	2001	42,088
	E-2	✓	Misc. Aircraft accessories and components	2002	65,457
	E-2	✓	Eectrical & electronic assemblies, boards, cards, etc.	2002	6,981,864
	E-2	✓	Flight instruments	2001	3,000,000

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CMC Electronics Inc (continued)	E-2	✓	Electrical, nonrotating power converters	2002	50,425
	E-2	✓	"	2001	34,289
	E-2	✓	Automatic data processing input/output & storage devices	2002	40,000
	EA-6B	✓	Miscellaneous communication equipment	2002	46,903
	ES-3A		Electrical & electronic assemblies, boards, cards, etc.	2002	353,423
	ES-3A		Electrical, nonrotating power converters	2001	289,935
	F-14	✓	Electrical & electronic measuring & testing instruments	2001	28,000
	F-4 II		Engine instruments	2001	52,800
	P-3	✓	Aircraft alarm and signal systems	2001	1,051,090
	S-3	✓	Automatic data processing input/output & storage devices	2001	4,494,626
	SH-60		Engine instruments	2001	1,800,000
	SH-60		Miscellaneous communication equipment	2001	467,400
	SH-60		Miscellaneous electrical and electronic components	2002	802,292
	SH-60		Engine instruments	2001	31,860
	SH-60		Automatic data processing input/output & storage devices	2002	119,200
	UH-60	✓	Engine instruments	2002	450,215
	UH-60	✓	Electrical & electronic assemblies, boards, cards, etc.	2002	26,260
	UH-60	✓	Miscellaneous electrical and electronic components	2001	(284,410)
UH-60	✓	Indoor and outdoor electric lighting fixtures	2002	280,000	
CSI Gear Corp	M-88		Vehicular power transmission components	2002	80,504
Derlan Industries Ltd	T700		Gears, pulleys, sprockets and transmission chain	2002	432,675
DRS Flight Safety & Communications	C-130	✓	Radio navigation equipment, airborne	2002	71,800
	E-3A	✓	"	2002	450,350
	F/A-18	✓	Miscellaneous aircraft accessories and components	2002	71,800
	F/A-18	✓	Miscellaneous communication equipment	2001	(50,718)
	P-3	✓	Radio navigation equipment, airborne	2002	59,640
Durmitor Inc	F-15	✓	Airborne radar equipment	2002	3,992
Edgewater Computer	F-16	✓	Systems engineering services	2002	156,189
EG&G Canada Ltd.	AN/TSQ-73		Optoelectronic devices and associated hardware	2002	84,520
Fag Bearings Ltd	E-3A	✓	Bearings, antifriction, unmounted	2002	38,920
	F100		Maintenance and repair of bearings	2002	143,080
	F110		Bearings, antifriction, unmounted	2002	148,579
	F-14	✓	"	2002	49,830
	F-16	✓	Bearings, antifriction, unmounted	2001	38,961
	F-16	✓	"	2002	71,136
	P-3	✓	"	2001	295,984
	T700		"	2002	2,703,237
Fleet Industries Ltd	T-38		Airframe structural components	2002	363,347
Focus Micro Onde	Nuclear Sub.-SSN		Rechargeable cells and batteries	2001	805,304
General Kinetics	A-10	✓	Vehicular cab, body, and frame structural components	2002	2,603,000
Engineering	M-109	✓	"	2002	524,854
General Motors of Canada	LAV	✓	Guns, over 300mm	2001	38,462
	LAV	✓	Cable, cord & wire assemblies: communication equip.	2002	433,242
	LAV	✓	Power and hand pumps	2002	158,083
	LAV	✓	Engine cooling system components, nonaircraft	2002	32,743
	LAV	✓	Vehicular furniture and accessories	2002	26,243
	LAV	✓	Vehicle brake, steering, axle, wheel & track components	2002	26,809
	LAV	✓	Vehicular power transmission components	2002	32,483
	LAV	✓	Trucks and truck tractors, wheeled	2002	2,525,304
	LAV	✓	Miscellaneous power transmission equipment	2002	123,306
	LAV	✓	Vehicular cab, body and frame structural components	2001	40,409
	Héroux Devtek	B-1	✓	Aircraft landing gear components	2001
B-52		✓	"	2001	498,513
C-130		✓	"	2001	959,461

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Héroux Devtek (continued)	C-5		Aircraft landing gear components	2002	210,568
	F-16	✓	"	2001	(268,425)
	KC-135	✓	"	2001	44,692
	T-37		"	2001	126,969
Honeywell ADCA	C-5		Aircraft air conditioning, heating & pressurizing equip	2002	145,660
Honeywell Aerospatiale	2500LM		Gas Turbine Valves, powered	2001	1,622,386
	T400		Engine fuel system parts, aircraft & missile prime movers	2001	184,629
	T400		"	2002	251,882
	UH-1	✓	"	2002	281,888
Honeywell ASCA Inc	E-2	✓	Electrical control equipment	2002	48,672
	F-14	✓	"	2002	140,024
	F-15	✓	Pressure, temp, humidity measuring & control instruments	2001	123,420
	F/A-18	✓	Meteorological instruments and apparatus	2002	46,435
	F/A-18	✓	Miscellaneous aircraft engine accessories	2002	117,000
	M1 Abrams	✓	Miscellaneous electrical and electronic components	2001	31,540
	S-3	✓	Aircraft air conditioning, heating & pressurizing equip.	2001	3,609,320
	T2		Pressure, temp, humidity measuring & control instruments	2002	826,984
	IMP Aero. Avionics	F/A-18	✓	Airframe structural components	2002
IMP Group	F/A-18	✓	Airframe structural components	2001	3,465,127
Kvaerner Masa Marine	Landing craft		R&D, testing & evaluation/ships - basic research	2002	3,558,963
Litton Canada	C-141		Maintenance and repair of instruments and lab equipment	2001	261,300
Merrill Engineering MHD Int. Aviation	UH-60	✓	Aircraft maintenance & repair shop specialized equip.	2001	60,466
	C-130	✓	Aircraft air conditioning, heating & pressurizing equip.	2001	32,795
	C-130	✓	Miscellaneous power transmission equipment	2002	7,281,591
Nav-Aids Ltd	A-7		Aircraft maintenance & repair shop specialized equip.	2002	6,003,663
	C-130	✓	"	2002	80,513
	C-2	✓	"	2001	10,480,333
	P-3	✓	"	2001	51,100
	SH-60		"	2002	58,097
Northstar Aerospace	CH-47	✓	Gears, pulleys, sprockets and transmission chain	2002	57,013
Novatel Inc	Ballistic Missile Defense System		R&D, testing & evaluation/missile & space systems	2001	843,713
Novatronics	F-14	✓	Electrical & electronic measuring & testing instruments	2001	106,426
Orenda Aerospace	J85		Aircraft gas turbines & jet engines, and components	2002	362,090
Panarama Business Views	Ballistic Missile Defense System		Automatic data processing support equipment	2002	109,650
			"	2002	519,887
Professional Machine Services	A-10	✓	Vehicular cab, body, and frame structural components	2002	630,893
	M-2 / M-3	✓	Miscellaneous power transmission equipment	2001	2,121,700
	M-109	✓	Vehicular cab, body, and frame structural components	2001	106,064
	M-109	✓	Vehicle brake, steering, axle, wheel & track components	2001	260,732
	UH-60	✓	Weapons maintenance & repair shop specialized equip.	2001	1,243,376
Spar Aerospace	E-2	✓	Electrical generators and generator sets	2001	1,279,938
Standard Aero Ltd	AN/BQN-17		Gas turbines & jet engines; non-aircraft prime mover,	2001	304,000
	AN/SQN-17		aircraft non-prime mover and components	2001	181,045
	AN/BQN-17		"	2001	80,287
	AN/SQN-17		"	2001	569,691
TRW Aeronautical Systems Canada	J69		Engine fuel system parts, aircraft & missile prime movers	2001	485,430
	T-38		"	2001	30,789
	T-64		Miscellaneous aircraft engine accessories	2001	29,394
	T-38		Plain, unmounted, bearings	2002	115,257
Valcom Ltd	SATCOM		Antennas, waveguides and related equipment	2002	135,382
Walbar Engine Comp.	F404-GE-400/402		Aircraft gas turbines & jet engines and components	2001	60,900
Wiebel Aerospace 1995	EA-6B	✓	Aircraft hydraulic, vacuum & de-icing system parts	2001	49,400
Iraq War 2003 subtotal = 65,967,448				Total = 105,750,055	