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Blood and Thunder

Dear Editor:

I am writing to you about a situation which concerns education and possibly Canadian security.

Canadian students comtemplating coming into Quebec to attempt becoming bilingual should be advised that they come at their own risk. For the population here, they are not Canadians; they are english or "des anglais".

If they are not made atone for all the real and imagined wrongs which english speaking people have done to french speaking people throughout history; they are very likely to be considered as spies. As such they will be subjected to thought listening or, "l'écoute de la vie", by the population.

This paranoia-schizophrenia is quite similar to the well known xenophobia of the population of France. Many bilingual, english speaking Quebecers do not object to this treatment of Canadian coming to live here.

Thought listening is deterimental to the well being and academic success of students because it affects their power to concentrate.

Thought listening is practiced in the home countries of many of the European, middle east and African nationals, who live in Quebec City. Because it is permitted to listen to the thoughts of, "les anglais", especially those from outside, that is to say, those from the rest of Canada; many of these foreigners listen to the thoughts of Canadians, while they are living here.

A large number of federal civil servants have taken or are taking french emersion courses in Quebec. Any one of them could be subjected to, "l'écoute de la vie". It is very possible that information pertaining to the federal state, which is found in their heads, finds its way into the hands of members of the population who are opposed to the Canadian state, or into the hands of foreigners, who send it back to their gouvernements.

Hoping that you will bring the existance of this situation to the attention of students living in your area.

Sincerely yours, Jamie Lewin

