Harper has no problem selling weapons to terrorists, I do

To the Editor,

Four almost a decade Stephen Harper and his boy's club have been systematically dismantling our economy and lining their pockets at the expense of the middle class. When I read in the Toronto Star that he was illegally conspiring behind closed doors to lock us into the TPP Trade Agreement without an official mandate to govern I was not that surprised. Harper Conservatives corrupt? Who would have guessed? I guess they didn't learn the costly lesson in fiscal responsibility that free-trade rip-offs like NAFTA have taught us. Are they completely trying to decimate our economy while lying to our faces telling us it will be OK? The atrocities this government has waged on the middle class and the poor are not just contained within our national borders. I was horrified to learn recently that the Harper-Cons were defending a Canadian sale of weapons and military equipment to the Saudi Arabian military to be used against its citizens who disagree with their government.

By doing so they are again showing their true colours. By supporting the Saudi Arabian military the Harper's Conservative are supporting a regime that openly beheads and crucifies people who disagree with them; and they are doing so with our tax dollars. In a way it makes us grateful for such democratic intrusions as Bill C-51 and C-24...at least we are allowed to keep our heads if we speak up. However, in a more sinister and honest way this \$15 Billion business deal between the Harper government and the Saudi Arabian military shines a light on the fatal hypocrisy inherent within Canadian democracy today. Sure Harper might not like women wearing clothes that cover up everything but their eyes, but selling weapons and military equipment to the government that harboured and financed most of the terrorists who bombed the World Trade Centre on Sept. 11 2001, a government that will use this equipment to capture, torture and kill those who oppose it..that's OK with him?

Harper seems to have no problem doing business with such murderous regimes though, that is why he is not the candidate I will be voting for on Oct. 19. With Harper in charge we are no longer world-class peacekeepers, we are a disgrace.

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