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It is very important for City Council as a whole to understand the implications of the Proposed Enhanced Security Measures at City Hall . The Report that was & is the Foundation for these proposals is a Document filled with gross exaggerations / hyperbole and wording verging on the hysterical . Asserting that the Taxpayers of Toronto present a clear & present Danger to Staff & Politicians is patently absurd. Consider that in the course of conducting 126000 clearly illegal searches just 300 alleged prohibited items where seized by Uniformed Security Staff. That's 1/4 of 1% of all searches conducted , 99.3/4 % of theses produced nothing.

To alleged as the Report does that City Hall is under siege "from "lone actors" inspired by terrorist groups but also from disgruntled constituents and customers, hate groups and opposition movements." is just not borne out by the Reports own numbers. Turning City Hall into a "Fortress of Solitude" where only the anointed are allowed to venture into without being Detained/Searched/Questioned is a Clear & Present Danger to Canadian Democracy. City hall ideally should be open & welcoming to those who thru the Blood sweat & tears of their Honest Labour pay the increasingly crushing Tax's that are grinding working people to dust.

With Respect Anthony Nolan Search or seizure

Detention or imprisonment

Arrest or detention Everyone has the right to be secure against unreasonable search or seizure.

Everyone has the right not to be arbitrarily detained or imprisoned.

Everyone has the right on arrest or detention
 (a) to be informed promptly of the reasons therefor;

(b) to retain and instruct counsel without delay and

to be informed of that right; and

(c) to have the validity of the detention determined by way of habeas corpus and to be released if the detention is not lawful.

"Our society is anchored as well on openness of our courts, and of our Legislative Assemblies, underpinned by a universal franchise, on fair procedure before adjudicative agencies, he they courts or other tribunals which, at least, means a right to be heard or to make representations before being condemned criminally or made liable civilly. In the administration of our criminal laws, special protections have developed for an accused, such as the rule against forced confessions, the presumption of innocence, and the privilege against self-incrimination. These values are not absolutes, but a heavy burden lies on any Legislative Assembly or Court to justify any attenuation of these. The Canadian Bill of Rights, operative on the federal level, has given sanctity to these values, short of constitutional entrenchment."

The Right Honourable Chief Justice Bora Laskin, University of Alberta, May 4, 1972