

NZ GUN LAWS

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WIN FOR RACIST TERRORISTS AND FASCIST ELITES

On March 15, 2019, a terrorist attacked two mosques in Christchurch, NZ, killing 50 people and injuring many more with a legally obtained military style semi-automatic (MSSA) rifle (AR-15 variant) which had illegally been fitted with high capacity magazines.

On March 20 the NZ Prime Minister announced that all MSSA rifles and shotguns would be banned. The first step in this process occurred on March 21 via an order that reclassified most semi-automatic centrefire long arms (including many designed for sporting use) as MSSAs, which would now include all those capable of being fitted with a detachable magazine capable of holding more than five rounds.

It is entirely reasonable to restrict sporting shooters to firearms that cannot be fitted with detachable magazines that hold more than five rounds, which should include manually operated firearms like pump action, lever action and bolt action rifles and shotguns, and firearms capable of using high capacity fixed magazines.

However, it is unacceptable to deprive the unorganized militia of self-loading military style firearms capable of using high capacity detachable magazines (10 rounds is a practical minimum), as doing so undermines a democratic safeguard against tyranny and state perpetuated atrocities.

Members of the unorganized militia being competent adults of good character who are rightly required to be a member of a military gun club to maintain possession of a self-

loading military style service rifle and pistol to ensure they practice with them.

We must also be cognizant of the fact that racist fascists (notably in neo-Nazi chat rooms) urge like-minded people to use legally available guns to massacre minorities in the hope this will result in their victims and the general population being deprived of practical defensive weapons in a kneejerk response to such atrocities. A key objective is to facilitate a right wing military coup as in Spain and Chile and state perpetuated politicized and genocide as in the Ottoman Empire (Turkey), Spain, Germany, China, Guatemala, Chile, Uganda, Cambodia, Rwanda and Myanmar.

They are aided by power hungry elites who seek to deprive ordinary citizens they want to control of practical defensive weapons in order to give the security forces which protect their class a monopoly of deadly force. Their media companies relentlessly glorify criminal gun violence (including shooting sprees as in the John Wick movies) in order to promote a culture of gun violence and copycat crimes they exploit to further their push to disarm "the mob".

Nancy MacLean (*Democracy in Chains*) notes how these elites work at undermining democracy in the US, which entails the atomization of the general population to prevent organized resistance and the weakening of constitutional, legislative and organizational protections; notably their efforts to fragment and weaken

the trade union movement.

These elites are aided by the pressure on politicians to take strong measures after an atrocity, as occurred after the 9/11 attacks with America's disastrous "war on terror".

We must have the courage to fear the worst while taking measured action in order to safeguard vulnerable minorities and democracy.

This would include arming more good adults to help combat the growing threat of extremism, with the actions of Abdul Aziz being instructive. He threw a credit card machine at the terrorist and chased him out of the mosque, where this extremist tried to shoot Aziz who used parked cars as cover until he picked up a discarded (empty) shotgun. Aziz said: "When he see the gun in my hands, I don't know what happened, he dropped the gun and I chased him with my own gun... I managed to throw the gun on his car and smash the car window, and I could see he was a bit frightened". Aziz kept chasing the attacker as he sped off. This illustrates the value of good citizens with firearms.

Police took 36 minutes to stop the terrorist in NZ's third largest city where he had time to murder 50 people in two mosques and injure many more. Hence the need for more good citizens with firearms (low capacity handguns). Namely off-duty police, special forces soldiers with advanced handgun skills, and competent adults of good character who are gun club members and have passed a security guard training course.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The knee-jerk response to the Christchurch terror attack has failed to restrict many military style firearms while at the same time depriving the unorganized militia (military gun club members) of those weapons needed to defend vulnerable minorities and democracy.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Reclassify all firearms capable of holding more than six rounds as military style firearms (MSF), with all other firearms classified as sporting style firearms (SSF).

Ensure that members of the unorganized militia can own [registered] MSF rifles and pistols like those used by the NZ Army. Namely military gun club members subject to a 10 round magazine capacity limit.

Issue concealed carry pistol permits (low capacity pistols) to off-duty police, special forces soldiers, and gun club members who have passed a security guard training course.

FURTHER READING

Guns 101: A Beginner's Guide to Buying and Owning Firearms, David Steier, Skyhorse, 2011.
Democracy in Chains, Nancy MacLean, Penguin, 2017.



Many military style firearms not banned.



BANNED

Ruger Deerfield semi-automatic centrefire rifle uses detachable magazines and can be fitted with high capacity magazines (four round magazine fitted). The rimfire version (Ruger 10/22) is not banned but uses a 10 round detachable magazine as standard and can accept high capacity 30 round magazines.



NOT BANNED?

Troy PAR pump action centrefire rifle uses detachable magazines and can be fitted with high capacity magazines (30 round magazine fitted).



NOT BANNED?

Pardus LAX 12 lever action centrefire shotgun uses detachable magazines and can be fitted with high capacity magazines (five round magazine fitted).



NOT BANNED?

Troy SPR straight pull bolt action centrefire rifle uses detachable magazines and can be fitted with high capacity magazines (30 round magazine fitted).



NOT BANNED?

Ruger GSR bolt action centrefire rifle uses detachable magazines and can be fitted with high capacity magazines (10 round magazine fitted).



NOT BANNED?

Glock Model 17 semi-automatic centrefire pistol uses detachable magazines and can be fitted with high capacity magazines (17 round magazine fitted). They are rightly restricted to the defence forces including the unorganized militia (military gun club members)

Consistent Gun Laws

If all semi-automatic rifles and shotguns (and manually operated pump action shotguns) that are capable of accepting high capacity magazines are deemed military style firearms and banned for sporting use, then all semi-automatic pistols and manually operated rifles and shotguns which are capable of accepting high capacity magazines should also be deemed military style firearms and banned for sporting use.

Firearms should be classified as one of two styles. **Sporting Style Firearms (SSF)** that are not capable of holding more than six rounds (including a round in the chamber of magazine fed firearms), and **Military Style Firearms (MSF)** that are capable of holding more than six rounds (including a round in the chamber of magazine fed firearms). This must include rimfire rifles and pistols which are capable of penetrating a human skull. Service rifles and pistols like those used by soldiers and police are rightly owned by members of the unorganized militia (10 round magazine capacity limit).