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Newman Safely Home in U.S. But Promises Australia "I Shall Return"

October 5, 2015 By Operation Rescue

By Cheryl Sullenger

Wichita, Kansas – After an arduous five days of travel and an unexpected detention in Australia, Troy Newman and his wife, Mellissa, arrived safely home in Wichita, KS at about 8 p.m. local time Saturday evening. They were greeted by an enthusiastic crowd of over 30 supporters waving welcome home signs and red, white, and blue balloons.

Newman's ordeal began when a member of the Australian Parliament who is a radical abortion supporter sent a letter to Minister of Immigration Peter Dutton seeking to cancel Newman's visa based on blatantly false accusations that he supports violence against abortion providers.

Without fact-checking, Dutton cancelled Newman's visa as he was beginning his flight to Australia from Wichita, Kansas. Newman never received any official notice of the cancellation since it was sent via the postal service and e-mailed to a non-existent e-mail address.

Newman was told everything was in

order as he boarded the first leg of his flight from Wichita to Denver, but in Denver, he was denied permission to board his flight by United Airlines employees that never showed him any paperwork to confirm why they would not allow him to board.

Newman booked a flight to Los Angeles on another airline and was allowed to board his original flight to Melbourne without issue, having his boarding pass cleared at the gate.

Once in Australia, Newman was immediately detained. There was no issue with his wife's visa, and she was turned out into the airport without luggage and only the clothes on her back. He was not allowed to consult with her husband or communicate with him for two days while he was incarcerated first at the airport and later at a secondary detention facility. He was kept in solitary confinement during his incarceration.

At Last the Good News Infant Viability Bill 2015



Dr Rachel Carling-Jenkins

Dr Rachel Carling-Jenkins, Victorian M.L.C., introduced the Infant Viability Bill 2015, which will provide holistic care and support to pregnant women in late term pregnancy, post 20 weeks. Her first reading was on 20th October 2015. The long title is: "A bill for an Act to ensure the

"A bill for an Act to ensure the provision of access to holistic care and support to pregnant women and preborn children

so as to promote infant viability, to amend the Abortion Law Reform Act 2008, the Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration (Continued on page 4)

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NEWMAN INSPIRES AUSTRALIA'S PRO LIFERS WITHOUT SPEAKING ONE WORD.



By Mary Collier

After the cancellation of Troy Newman's speaking tour, we decided to continue with our engagements in Brisbane and Cairns to update our supporters about Troy's visa cancellation and subsequent High Court action.

In Brisbane we arranged an evening function hosted by Faith on Tap. It was held at a large historically significant pub. After a synopsis of events of the previous week, I talked about current funding that Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Australia gives to International Planned Parenthood.

Graham Preston spoke of the positive outcome of his court case (in relation to his arrest while protesting outside an abortuary in Brisbane). If successfully prosecuted it could have resulted in a fine of \$4000 - which he was spared. He will also face court in December 2015 in relation to his arrest in April 2015 within the 150 metre "buffer" zone of the Hobart abortion clinic.

David Goodwin, businessman, gave ideas about how young

people could become active in the prolife movement. Brisbane based Teresa Martin from Cherish Life Queensland and Andrew Smith (Pro Life Media) also spoke about their work.

Thank you to Marisa Scimone, David and Liz Chilnicean who hosted the evening and so graciously worked around the issue of the cancellation of our guest speaker at such short notice.

In Cairns, we held an evening at the St Francis Xavier Church which was organised by Irma Morzone with assistance from Teresa Garone and Wanda at the church office. The event was well

attended by local prolifers, who were the appalled at treatment of Troy Newman and had actively written politicians to complain. Although cancellation the of Troy Newman's tour has been



devastating, there are positives from the situation that have emerged. Marisa Scimone told me that Troy's visa cancellation has led to a call to action.

There has certainly been a "flow on effect" after our Faith on Tap meeting. Since the event, a young group in Brisbane has held one of their regular meetings specifically on prolife issues and a new prolife youth group is forming.



Cartoon by ZEG Wednesday, October 7, 2015 KUMBAYA CHAIRMAN MAL

HOBART



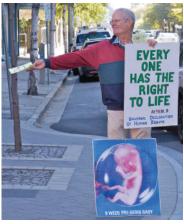
By Dr Katrina Haller

The Hobart meeting went ahead with Dr Katrina Haller presenting Troy's talk. The videos of Planned Parenthood employees talking about selling baby parts are available on the Operation Rescue and Center for Medical Progress websites:

www.operationrescue.org and www.centerformedicalprogress.org

The Conference in Melbourne went ahead with Mellissa Newman speaking at the evening Seminar. Thanks to all our speakers for inspiring and informative talks, giving us new energy and resolve to save the babies, help the mothers and change the law. We have asked the speakers for copies of the speeches and will summarise them for you later.

The Preston Report



Graham Preston campaigning - photo by Mishka Gora

Dear Friends,

Phew! The police did not drop the charge this time and what a day it was in court yesterday. I found it interesting that during the questioning of the arresting officer, when he was asked what I had been holding on the day of the arrest, he said that I had "a picture of an unborn baby". When the practice manager of the abortion "clinic" was asked the same thing, she said I

had "a large photo of a baby in the womb". Neither chose to use the word 'foetus' yet neither seemed to care that, on their own terms, babies are killed at that place. Two women who had gone into the "clinic" on the day of my arrest were due to give testimony that my being near the "clinic" entrance had made them feel anxious (the only requirement for a move-on direction to be able to be given). One of the women did not show up but the other did. Under cross-examination she admitted that I had not been aggressive, loud or intimidating but had spoken calmly as I offered her a leaflet. Nevertheless, she said that my presence had caused her anxiety.

At the end of the prosecution's case Simon put it to the magistrate that I had no case to answer – mainly due to a technical point about the arresting officer not having the basis for having a reasonable suspicion that I had caused anyone anxiety before he gave me the move-on direction. The magistrate did subsequently find me not guilty, which was good – if found guilty I could have been fined up to \$4000 - but sadly the magistrate went on to say that if not for the technical point he probably would have found me guilty! The police prosecutor was clearly very annoyed that he

had lost. But it does not look good for the future. The magistrate even said that he thought it likely that this would not be the last such case & I agree.

It seems incredible that a person could be heavily fined just for politely offering someone a leaflet outside an abortion "clinic". The Tasmanian court case is due to be held on December 2 and 4. Christopher Brohier will also be on the legal team.

Sincerely, Graham

Protect Life. Rescue those being led away to death. Proverbs 24:11

Letter from the President



Dear Friends of Life,

As you would be aware, we have just come through a very stressful period following the thwarted attempt by an American prolife activist – Troy Newman - to participate in a brief speaking tour arranged by Right to Life Australia.

Troy Newman's claim to fame is that he and a group called Center for Medical Progress (U.S.) have recently exposed,

by an undercover operation the lucrative sale of body parts from late term abortions at Planned Parenthood facilities in the U.S.

This exposure has had enormous impact in the U.S. and elsewhere including Australia, and is the sole reason for cancellation of his visa by Immigration Authorities, backed by Minister Dutton, at the urging of proabortion federal M.P. Terri Butler. Mr Newman only received notice of the revoking of his visa after he set out on his long journey to Australia which he and his wife managed to complete whereupon Troy was immediately imprisoned for three days in Melbourne.

Mr Newman has committed no crime and does not advocate acts of violence against abortionists. However the proabortion Butler seized upon a semi-theological argument made in a book coauthored by Newman and Father Frank Pavone in 2000 equating abortion with murder, which in the U. S. attracts the death penalty.

For good measure Ms Butler and other media outlets – including the 7.30 report – refers to the shooting of an abortion clinic security guard some years ago, by a mentally ill homeless man who slept under a bridge – as I heard – "a prolife activist!" This lie has been repeated time and time again! Incidentally, before the homeless man acted on the abortion clinic he tried to enlist our help with a scheme of his own against Telstra for advertising abortion clinics. He even wrote a fraudulent letter in my name! For the record I was witness for the prosecution!

Naturally Right to Life deplored the actions of this man who clearly was not in a right state of mind.

We oppose the violence of abortion and we are opposed to the use of violence in our pursuit of justice for the preborn.

Apart from the enormous injustice done to Troy Newman, this action by the Federal Immigration Department, backed by the Minister, has served well those who wish the government funded killing if the preborn to continue unchecked.

Margaret Tighe

Infant Viability Bill 2015

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Act 1996 and the Crimes Act 1958, to make consequential amendments to certain other Acts and for other purposes."

According to the latest published report by the Victorian Consultative Council on Maternal and Paediatric Mortality and Morbidity 2010/2011, in 2010 there were 342 abortions over 20 weeks gestation and 24 resulted in the baby being born alive. These 24 babies died between birth and 28 days after birth. In 2011 there were 338 abortions after 20 weeks and 40 of these babies were born alive. These 40 babies died between birth and 28 days after birth. Rachel's bill would provide women whose pregnancies are over 20 weeks gestation with holistic care and support. If a pregnancy were to be terminated for a "medical emergency" reason, every effort would be made to preserve the life of the baby.

No doubt the proaborts will argue that they want late term abortion in case the baby has an abnormality. Rachel's work before Parliament has been in the disability care sector. Rather than declaring war on the preborn who may have a disability, Rachel has compassion for a life that is in danger and sees the positivity of embracing life. "There is goodness in the challenge and accomplishment of life, she said, "Let's fall in love with the preborn."

After the second reading of her bill, we will ask you to go and see your local Member of the Upper House, and write letters. Congratulations Rachel.

Mail Order Abortions! How appalling!

The Sydney Morning Herald ran an article on 28/9/15, by Amy Corderoy.

"Phone abortions with no face-to-face doctor consultation are now available".

The Tabbot Foundation will run a telephone service that will assess women over the phone and then post them abortion pills. A Tabbot Foundation spokesman said,

"...you don't have to examine the patient."

Amy Corderoy reported, "In states such as NSW where a psychological assessment is required, this would also be done over the phone. If the treatment is approved, the woman is posted a package including the medications mifepristone and misoprostol (commonly known as RU486), prophylactic antibiotics, painkillers and anti-nausea drugs, all at a cost of \$250."

A woman died in Newcastle in 2010 after taking RU486 from an infection. The Tabbot Foundation spokesman said this remained a risk if the body did not fully expel the embryo and other pregnancy tissue, and she did not receive ongoing medical care such as the follow-up blood tests.

When the abortion death was reported in The Australian on 19/3/2012, a Table was printed of adverse events since 2006:

Retained products of conception requiring surgery	442
Ongoing pregnancy following treatment requiring surgery	78
Haemorrhage requiring transfusion	18
Infection/endometritis	18
Haemorrhage not requiring transfusion	14
Nausea and vomiting	10
Cervical tear	5
Abdominal pain	4
Uterine perforation or rupture	2
Fainting, dizziness, vomiting	1

This is a disgusting way to treat pregnant women, removing any care or support, and not providing any counselling. Better for them to call Pregnancy Counselling Australia on 1300 737 732.

A win for Life – Dr Nitschke can practise only under 25 conditions

- By Dr Katrina Haller

The Right to Life Australia is pleased that the Medical Board of Australia is not encouraging suicide, by imposing 25 conditions on Dr Nitschke's medical practice.

The mediated settlement means Dr Nitschke cannot provide advice or information on how to commit suicide, he cannot manufacture, check or sell a suicide drug, and must remove his endorsement of a suicide book and videos.

The Board deemed it necessary to protect the public and manage risks to patients.

We believe that EXIT International and the suicide Industry needs to be closed down, as we support the right to life of everyone, including those who are depressed and need proper treatment.

Dr Nitschke was dubbed "Dr Death," by Margaret Tighe, and had helped several people commit suicide, including a healthy 26 year old man from the Mornington Peninsula.

We celebrate the beauty and challenges of life, and promote life and hope over despair and death.

For any concerns contact Lifeline 13 11 14, Suicide Call Back Service 1300 659 467 Suicide Line, 1300 651 251, or Beyond Blue 1300 224 636.

March for the Babies – a great success

Over 1000 people attended the March for the Babies, and rally outside Parliament House on 10th October 2015, the 8th anniversary of the Abortion Law Reform Act 2008. It started with the National Anthem and finished with Amazing Grace. Father Francis Denton blessed the March. Speakers were Dr Rachel Carling-Jenkins, who

The Verkerk family at the March for the Babies Michelle and Marcus, with children Alexandra, Claudia and Reuben (printed with permission)

announced her Infant Viability Bill 2015, Mark Robinson M.P. for Cleveland, Queensland, and Anna von Marburg from Albury, who leads a group who offer help to women entering the Albury Abortuary. Only about ten protestors were there, without foghorns or drums. It was an inspiring and encouraging day.



March for the Babies 2015

Sickening Scandal Behind Censorship Of Anti-Abortionist



By Angela Shanahan – The Australian 10/10/15

(Reprinted with permission)

Revelations about the sale of body parts from aborted foetuses have rocked the US.

Last week, a strange brouhaha broke out in Melbourne involving

Troy Newman, an anti-abortion campaigner from the US who Right to Life had attempted to sponsor on a speaking tour; Terri Butler, a pro-abortion MP and member of Emily's List; and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

There are really two stories here. One is the story we all heard, the other is a story that Butler and the Emily's List cohort are desperate to hide, even to the extent of denying someone their freedom to speak about it.

The story as portrayed by the media, especially the ABC, was a border protection case. Butler used Newman's own words, taken out of context, to characterise him as a violent extremist, who wanted abortion doctors "executed".

This is not true but the Immigration Department accepted this at face value and cancelled a visa he had held for two months. He managed to arrive in Australia anyhow and was taken into detention. The Immigration Department offered to give him a limited visa if he assured them he would cause no public nuisance. He agreed. But then the media, particularly the ABC's 7:30 program, went into overdrive.

Butler and the Immigration Department were "protecting" Australia against this menace, who has no criminal record.

The Immigration Department changed its mind and Newman was locked in a detention centre for three days. The only person to speak on his behalf were the bewildered members of Right to Life and his wife, who had accompanied him. The media was in a frenzy of righteousness, but none of them spoke to Newman.

If any of them had they might have realised this story is really about another story, far more serious than any of the phony charges of extremism thrown at Newman by Butler and the other influential Emily's Listers, who have managed to silence this man. The reason Butler and Emily's List were so anxious to abrogate Newman's right to free speech in Australia is that he is on the board of the Centre for Medical Progress, which has uncovered a sickening scandal involving the largest abortion provider in the US – Planned Parenthood.

Undercover videos made by activists posing as employees show Planned Parenthood doctors admitting they sold the organs of unborn babies for medical experimentation and they did it to order, mostly to biotech companies that wanted them for experiments. Buying and selling body parts is illegal in the US, as it is in Australia. However, the impact that the videos have made on the general acceptability of abortion in the US has been dramatic because of the vivid descriptions given by Planned Parenthood abortionists.

There were 12 videos taken while doctors were lunching. They are available on the internet. In them, doctors can be heard describing how they go through the lists to find the foetus at the right gestational age, and match them to the list of body parts required. In the first two videos, abortionist Deborah Nucatola can be heard describing crushing techniques she uses to perform these late abortions so that they can harvest various organs, including brains.

In the third and fourth videos, they discuss the amount of money (Continued on page 6)

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they can get for each organ. Planned Parenthood's Savita Ginde states, "We don't want to do just a flat-fee (per foetus) of, like, \$200. A per-item thing works a little better, just because we can see how much we can get out of it."

In the fifth video, Melissa Farrell of Planned Parenthood-Gulf Coast in Houston boasted of the group's skill in obtaining "intact foetal cadavers" and how her "research department contributes so much to the bottom line of our organisation here ... our research department is the largest in the United States". In the sixth video, whistleblower Holly O'Donnell describes technicians taking foetal parts without patient consent: "There were times when they would just take what they wanted. And these mothers don't know. And there's no way they would know."

In the seventh and perhaps most disturbing video, O'Donnell describes the "procurement" of organs from a late-term foetus aborted at Planned Parenthood Mar Monte's Alameda clinic in San Jose, California. O'Donnell says her supervisor asked her, " 'You want to see something kind of cool?' And she just taps the heart, and it starts beating. And I'm sitting here and I'm looking ... its heart is beating, and I don't know what to think."

In the eighth, ninth and 10th videos, StemExpress chief executive Cate Dyer admits Planned Parenthood sells "a lot of" fully intact aborted foetuses, catches Planned Parenthood selling the specific body parts - including hearts, eyes and gonads - and shows Planned Parenthood officials admitting they are breaking federal law by selling aborted body parts for profit. This story is not some weird rumour put around by fanatical pro-lifers. The evidence has been presented to congress and a bill aiming to defunct Planned Parenthood has already gone through the legislative process, but will probably not pass the Senate. Another limiting abortion to 20 weeks also has been developed.

This scandal has had a huge impact on the abortion industry in the US. Abortion in general has declined and abortion clinics are closing at a rapid rate. The media in Australia barely has reported this story, but it has an Australian application. Planned Parenthood is part of a worldwide network of abortion providers. The federation of abortion providers successfully lobbied parliamentarians through the federal parliament's population group.

Australia changed its laws so taxpayers' money can fund abortions through the aid budget. In 2013 Australian aid to Planned Parenthood totalled \$6million in unrestricted funds, rising to \$8.5m by next year. This was authorised by the previous Labor government. No wonder Butler and the ladies from Emily's list wanted to shut down Newman.

More censorship!

A young woman, named Michelle, has been facing court action because of displaying an image of an aborted baby in a public place. The Fertility Control Clinic brought the action against her. The decision to convict her will depend on the judge's determination of the true meaning of the word "obscene!" Please pray for her.

Assisted Dying bill "puts elderly at risk"

By Frances Gibb, Legal Editor - The Times, 8/9/2015



Baroness Butler-Sloss says safeguards will fall apart.

Elderly, ill and vulnerable people will be put in significantly more danger under proposed changes in the law to allow assisted suicide, the former President of the High Court's family division has said.

Baroness Butler-Sloss came out strongly against legislation to go before M.P.'s this week, warning that proposed safeguards in the Assisted Dying bill will provide no protection to the vulnerable.

Referral of each case to a High Court judge "simply will not remedy the weaknesses in these safeguards," she wrote in a letter to The Times, because judges were not well placed "to discern whether subtle coercion or pressure has been applied" to encourage a vulnerable person to end his or her life.

"My experience of presiding over the family division of the High Court showed me again and again how subtle and calculated the pressure coercion and even control exerted on a vulnerable individual can be," Lady Butler-Sloss wrote. "The safeguards provide no real protection to the truly vulnerable and they will fall apart if this bill becomes law."

"This bill will place many elderly, ill and vulnerable people in significantly more danger," she said.

She also expressed concern over the ability of doctors to judge whether abuse or coercion had taken place and pointed out that the College of General Practitioners was opposing a change in the law.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev Justin Welby, warned with other religious leaders last week that the UK would cross a "legal and ethical Rubicon" if Parliament voted on Friday to allow terminally ill patients help to end their lives.

Lord Carlile of Berriew, Q.C., the co-chairman of Living and Dying Well, a group opposed to assisted suicide, also warned that "creating an advanced licensing system for assisted suicide" could lead to 1500 more suicides a year.



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UK defeats Assisted Dying Bill

Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC)

- The Good News, John Smeaton, 25/9/2015

United pro-life effort led to British Parliament's rejection of assisted suicide.

Congratulations to SPUC's tens of thousands of supporters, to pro-life leaders and colleagues in other organisations, and to Catholic leaders in England and Wales, Scotland and Ireland on the overwhelming defeat of assisted suicide legislative proposals brought forward by Rob Mrris MP.

Paul Tully, SPUC's general secretary, explains:

The Bill was defeated on 11 September by a very substantial margin. The vote was reported as 118 for the bill, 330 against.

As there are now 650 seats in the House of Commons, the 331 MPs opposing the bill represents an overall majority (51%) of MPs. The proportion of MPs voting (almost 70%) reflects the depth of interest in the debate, and the strength of the majority is of course very decisive.

Among many outstanding speeches against the bill, Dr Philippa Whitford MP, a breast cancer surgeon, said: "I have never considered as a doctor that death was a good treatment for anything".

David Cameron's opposition to the bill may have been a significant factor for some conservative MPs who voted against the bill.

The effectiveness of the campaign may be attributed to the fact that it was a strongly united effort, in which we all supported each others' endeavours, involving:

- Distant Voices
- ALERT
- Christian Concern
- Christian Institute
- Care Not Killing
- Catholic Medical Association
- Christian Medical Fellowship
- CARE
- Not Dead Yet UK
- Anscombe Bioethics Centre
- and the Catholic bishops conferences of England & Wales, Scotland, and Ireland.
- SPUC



Outside the House of Commons. Photo: E. Chowdharay-Best

Bubble Zones or Battle Zones?

Another blow at the work of the anti-abortion movement in Australia is the plan of the Victorian government to introduce a 150 m bubble zone around places that perform abortions, so that helpers will not be able to gather near an abortuary. The punishment is 12 months jail.

This is aimed specifically at groups like the Helpers of God's Precious Infants whose purpose is to pray and offer an alternative to those seeking abortions.

They have never been charged with any offence, and indeed the Melbourne City Council, who was taken to Court by a Melbourne abortuary, for failing to remove these helpers, won the case.

Enter Sex Party M.L.C. Fiona Patten with her bill seeking to create a "bubble zone" around abortuaries preventing helpers from being there – as in Tasmania.

Obligingly the Andrews government has taken over this plan and has introduced yesterday appropriate legislation. This is just another example of the philosophy of Premier Andrews who played a major role in sponsoring, as the Health Minister, the infamous Abortion Law Reform Act 2008 which removed all protection from preborn children in Victoria.

If you live in Victoria, please act now and write to your representative in the Legislative Assembly, as soon as possible. This bill will be debated on Wednesday 4th November.

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USA - Doctors said Rachel was :Incompatible with Life," but her parents rejected abortion. Now she's 17.

Lifenews.com 8/10/15 Washington By Sarah Zagorski

1998, Peter and Suzanne Guy were told that their 22-week-old unborn baby was "incompatible with life" and advised to have an abortion. Their doctors said their baby had a chromosomal abnormality and that half of Suzanne's amniotic fluid was gone, making it impossible for the child to survive. They also told Suzanne that she could die while giving birth.

The doctor was persistent in pushing abortion and argued that even if their baby did survive, she would have no quality of life and die shortly after birth. "Over and over and over again, my husband and I refused [abortion].

Now, 17-years later, their daughter Rachel is alive, healthy and a pro-life activist. In fact she has created a blog for women to find pro-life doctors who are against abortion without exceptions. Rachel was born alive at 26-weeks via Caesarean section and weighed one pound, two ounces. She stayed in the hospital for five months before going home with her parents.

USA - Texas De-Funds Planned Parenthood After it Sells Body Parts of Aborted Babies

STEVEN ERTELT, www.LIFENEWS.COM

After Planned Parenthood was caught in a series of 10 videos selling aborted babies and their body parts, Texas Governor Greg Abbott made decision to eliminate state taxpayer funding for the abortion business. One of the expose' videos caught a Houston, Texas Planned Parenthood employee arranging for the sales of aborted babies and dissecting babies it had aborted and planned to ship off for sale to a biotech firm

Today, the Office of Inspector General at Texas Health and Human Services Commission issued a letter ending Medicaid participation for Planned Parenthood affiliates in the State of Texas based on evidence of Medicaid program violations. The cancellation, consistent with Governor Abbott's LIFE initiative, calls for funding to Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers out of taxpayer money to be eliminated completely, both at the State and local levels. "Texas has stepped forward and shown its unyielding commitment to both protecting life and providing women's health services," said Governor Abbott. In a statement sent to LifeNews.

com, he added: "The gruesome harvesting of baby body parts by Planned Parenthood will not be allowed in Texas and the barbaric practice must be brought to an end. As such, ending the Medicaid participation of Planned Parenthood affiliates in the State of Texas is another step in providing greater access to safe healthcare for women while protecting our most vulnerable – the unborn."

...At one point in the video, Planned Parenthood staff show off the body of a 20-week old twin baby aborted and sold for parts. The expose' videos catching Planned Parenthood officials selling the body parts of aborted babies have shocked the nation.

USA – Ohio Senate De-Funds Planned Parenthood After It Sells Aborted Baby Parts - STEVEN ERTELT, 21/10/15

After the Planned Parenthood abortion company was caught in multiple states selling aborted babies and their body parts, several states have taken steps to de-fund it. Ohio is the next up to the plate with new legislation to de-fund Planned Parenthood, which runs approximately one-third of the abortion centers in the Buckeye State.

The Ohio state Senate today approved the bill.

Carrying 14 co-sponsors, Senate Bill 214 follows the introduction of House Bill 294, introduced by Representatives Bill Patmon and Margaret Conditt in August. Both come in the wake of the summer's undercover video scandal that shows Planned Parenthood officials allegedly selling aborted baby body parts.

"The grotesque revelations of this summer's video scandal have brought renewed energy to our pro-life state to end business with the abortion industry once and for all," said Stephanie Ranade Krider, executive director of Ohio Right to Life. "From the outset, Senate President Keith Faber has been an outspoken opponent of Planned Parenthood's scandalous, unethical and unlawful behavior. Ohio Right to Life thanks Senate President Faber for swiftly ushering our legislation through the Ohio Senate. We thank every co-sponsor and every supporting member for advancing and approving this historic, life-affirming legislation."

Poland - Pro-life party wins big in national election

Steve Weatherbe - October 27, 2015 (LifeSiteNews)



Poland's presumed prime minister-elect, Beata Szydlo

The victory of the conservative Law and Justice Party in

Sunday's parliamentary election has given the nation's pro-lifers hope they can soon ban abortion in the largely Catholic country.

Law and Justice has been out of office since 2007, replaced in the meantime by the business-oriented Civic Platform Party. According to unofficial counts, Law and Justice has 39 percent of the vote, to Civic Platform's 23 percent, with a smattering of smaller parties splitting the balance.

"Most of the Law and Justice MPs were pro-life in the last parliament," Mariusz Dzierzawski of the Right to Life Foundation told LifeSiteNews. "Now maybe they will be in the majority. But without pressure from pro-life organizations like ours probably they will do nothing."

... The foreign press says Poland's "lurch to the right" was a reaction to the pro-Europe, pro-foreign investment policies of the Civic Platform, plus its acquiescence to pressure to accept Syrian refugees. The UK Guardian described the winner as "a Eurosceptic party that is against immigration, wants family-focused welfare spending and has threatened to ban abortion and in-vitro fertilisation. ... In deepest Poland politics is shaped by love of church...and hatred of Brussels." But Dzierzawski takes a simpler view: "Poles are tired of their lies," he told LifeSiteNews, referring to the scandals dogging the outgoing regime. "And their policies were very, very bad."

Conservative Poles want a more independent country that resists left wing and sexually permissive policies. A recent mass resistance to the introduction of a radical sex education program forced the government to back down. A similar pushback from parents in the 1950s forced the Communist regime to put Catholic catechism into the state school curriculum and the Solidarity movement famously grew from a wildcat labour action into a resistance campaign big enough to topple the government, and, some say, the Soviet Bloc. Without such popular pressure, Dzierzawski said, "Politicians don't want to do anything morally conservative. It's true all over Europe, in Spain, in Canada, conservative politicians try to do nothing because they think it is unpopular."

The parliamentary election should see Beata Szydlo become prime minister. She is a miner's daughter who achieved prominence when as campaign manager for Andrzej Duda, she engineered the Law and Justice candidate's victory in the May presidential election.

Because of the double victory the pro-life movement has a chance to change the law and even the constitution without fear of a presidential veto.

BEQUEST

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