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Dear Friend,

1984 was an exciting election year for Canadian women. We pinpointed the issues, worked with the media & arranged all-candidates meetings. The National Action Committee on the Status of Women (NAC) organized an historic debate on women's issues between the three party leaders; a nationally televised event which will have far-reaching implications for the people of Canada. NOW we must impress strongly on the new government that women want policies which will help us, as a group, attain equality.

As a national, non-partisan organization, NAC is working hard to force the government to effect fair policies on issues such as federal funding for child care, job creation for women, pensions for homemakers, and universality of family allowances.

We want equality & choice for women - both at home & in the workplace.

In a recent article in Chatelaine Magazine, Charlotte Gray profiled REAL Women, a Canadian anti-feminist organization. REAL Women, claiming a national membership of 20,000, wants to deprive women of choice - reproductive & otherwise. As one of the founders says,

"Women are best at nurturing & caring, while men fight wars & worry about the deficit. That's the way nature designed it, & it has worked beautifully up till now. Why should we dump it?"

These right-wing organizations cannot be ignored. As Lynda Hurst wrote recently in the Toronto Star,

"As we know from the pro-life movement, however small, reactionary minorities have a way of getting what they want."

The National Action Committee on the Status of Women represents the real majority of Canadian women. We encompass more than 370 groups across Canada which include a membership in excess of $3\frac{1}{2}$ million.

We have the strength, commitment, knowledge & determination to fight for the policies women want. But as you know we need your financial support to reach our goals.



Help us fight for women's choice & equality by sending your 1985 annual donation today to the National Action Committee on the Status of Women.

Through your contribution of \$25, \$50, \$100 or whatever you can afford, we can continue to develop important, realistic alternatives to legislation that is unfair to women. Your donation will help us, our mothers, our daughters & generations of women to come.

Yours truly,

Chaviva Hosek President

P.S. Women currently earn an average of 64¢ for every dollar men earn. Help us lift the barriers to women's equality. Please send your 1985 donation to NAC today!!