Title of Paper: OECD and Education in Canada: Misinformation

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Abstract:

International organizations such as the Organization for Economic

Cooperation and Development (OECD), the United Nations Educational,

Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and the United Nations (UN)

have for years placed Canada in the top tier of countries in comparisons of

educational systems around the world. These organizations only survey

children in provincial and territorial schools becuase as it is often stated

- The federal government has no role in education because our Constitution

gives education exclusively to the provinces and territories in Canada.

Such statements and actions have allowed the federal government of Canada to

ignore their constitutional responsibilities in education, i.e., First

Nations/Indians) and to present a false image of education in Canada to the

world. Canada's place in the world of education would drop dramatically if

the real "national" education statistics and information were collected and

used by these international educational surveys.

Serious questions must be asked of educational statistics and information

purporting to represent Canada.