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illegality of actions to impose forced bilingualism on City of Ottawa in violation of Charter of Rights & Freedoms; control of Parliament and all public officials by Prime Minister, decisions on major public policies without consultation with Parliament or the people; violations of United Nations Conventions; refusal to be bound by decisions of U.N. Human Rights Ctte.; anti-Semitic bias in policies about Middle East; Federal policies that support divisive language groups; failure to report on condemnations of Canada by U.N., etc.; 1<sup>st</sup> woman to receive Federal Queen's Counsel 1963; recipient, Centennial Medal 1967; special necklace from Indian Rights for Indian Women for work to help Indian women in historic Lavell case 1973; LL.D., Univ. of Alberta 1975 for dedication to the increase of justice, equality & humanity for all; Prov. of Ont. Outstanding Woman Award 1975; Eugene Forsey Award for 50 yrs. of work for human rights & justice for all Canadians Chateauguay Valley English-Speaking Peoples Assn. 1997; Gov. General's Award in Commemoration of the Persons Case for lifetime of work for women's equality 1997; Mem., Order of Canada 2000; Humanities Award, Cdn. Orthodox Church for advancement & defence of human rights in Canada & around the world 2000; Freedom of Speech Award, Canadians for Language Fairness 2003; author various articles mags. and journals; mem., Law Soc. Alta.; Cdn. Bar Assn.; Internat. Law Assn.; Internat. Comn. Jurists; Internat. Abolitionist Fedn.; Cdn. Fedn. Univ. Women; languages spoken: English, French; recreations: travel, walking, reading, plants; clubs: University Women's (Pres. 1958-60 Ottawa); Federal Lawyers; Office: 905-280 Albert St., Ottawa, Ont. K1P 5G8