

Canadian State of Emergency 'Not Over'; Truckers Plan to Head for DC

The Canadian government is planning for more crackdowns against the weeks-long protests over COVID-19 restrictions.

Monday night, lawmakers there voted to extend the emergency powers that were used to crush the protests so police can put down any potential restart of the blockades.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau told Parliament ahead of the vote, "Even though the blockades are lifted across border openings right now, even though things seem to be resolving very well in Ottawa, this state of emergency is not over."

Streets in Canada's capital of Ottawa are quiet now after some weekend clashes between police and protesters.

The Emergencies Act allows authorities to declare certain areas as "no-go zones." It also supposedly allows police to freeze truckers' personal and corporate bank accounts and compel towing companies to haul away vehicles.

Trudeau's opponents have accused him of going too far and engaging in government overreach.

A new poll shows a majority of Americans disapprove of Trudeau's handling of the truckers' "freedom convoy" protest.

US Convoy Protesters Aim for DC

Here in the U.S., a group of truckers is also planning to make a cross-country trip to protest COVID restrictions.

Known as "The People's Convoy," the truckers are scheduled to leave southern California on Tuesday with about 10 stops on

their journey to the Washington, D.C. area.

The convoy described itself as “a peaceful and unified transcontinental movement” and is about “freedom and unity,” the organizers said in a statement.

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