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THOMPSON'S VIEWS ON AFGHANISTAN: 'EVIL THRIVES WHEN GOOD MEN DO NOTHING'

OTTAWA- Myron Thompson, Member of Parliament for Wild Rose, says this week's opposition driven debate and vote on withdrawing our troops from Afghanistan was a complete insult to our men and women serving in uniform and the people who live in Afghanistan.

"What the opposition parties fail to see is that wars don't follow a schedule. The objective of the mission is to ensure that the government of Afghanistan, its military and police force can look after their own security. This obviously will take some time," said Thompson.

"Day after day this week, MPs from the Liberal, Bloc and NDP stood up demanding that not only Canadians troops develop a 'taliban-friendly' attitude, but that our Defense Minister should give the world a daily briefing on our military strategy," stated Thompson.

"Not once in this debate from these three parties was there any outrage expressed over the daily Taliban attacks resulting in civilian men, women and children being blown up by suicide bombers," said Thompson.

"There is a saying that evil thrives when good men do nothing. I for one am so proud that our men and women serving in uniform are willing to take this evil on and make a difference in our homeland security and for the people in Afghanistan," concluded Thompson.

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