



New Brunswick Human Rights Commission

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Security or rights?

I think human rights are threatened when you're invoking national security to erode human rights. We can see it with our neighbors from the south. They're threatening and they're going to deport—do massive deportation of—their immigrants, people that have been living in their country for many many years. When you're willing to erode human rights because of job protection measures, or national security, human rights are threatened. Human rights have to be upheld throughout and not just pick and choose which right you want to uphold and which ones you're willing to let go. I mean, all human rights—we're all equal once we're in the country, we should be treated as equal citizens and human rights have to be given to all citizens at large.