

# Briefing

*Monday, March 19, 2001*

*12 Noon*

*Fairmont Palliser Hotel, Calgary*

*Featuring:*

## **GARY MAUSER**

Faculty of Business Administration and the Institute for Canadian Urban Research Studies, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, BC.

Will release his new study.

## **MISFIRE:** *FIREARM REGISTRATION IN CANADA*

### *The issue . . .*

Gary Mauser argues that the history of gun control in Canada demonstrates the “slippery slope” toward eroding personal liberties. Passive resistance to firearm registration has been and will be widespread, as it has been in other countries. In a 1995 Fraser Institute paper, Professor Mauser estimated gun registration would cost between \$1 and \$1.5 billion. The federal government said it would only cost \$85 million. In its first three years, the registry ate through \$600 million. The meter has two years left to run before registration is complete. Mauser questions whether forcing hunters and target shooters to register their firearms can actually reduce criminal violence.

### *The speaker . . .*

GARY MAUSER’s interest in firearms and gun control grew out of his research in political marketing. For the past 15 years, he has conducted research on the politics of gun control, the effectiveness of gun control laws, and the use of firearms in self-defense. He is a member of the Board of Directors of BC Wildlife Federation and the President of Barnet Rifle Club. Professor Mauser earned his Ph.D. from the University of California at Irvine.

Each luncheon guest will receive a free copy (value \$5) of *Misfire: Firearm Registration in Canada*, a Fraser Institute Publication.

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### *When...*

**Monday,  
March 19, 2001**

### *Time...*

**Luncheon 12:00 pm;  
Adjournment 1:30 pm.**

### *Location...*

Fairmont Palliser Hotel  
133 – 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW  
Calgary, Alberta  
Canada

### *Cost...*

#### Single:

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