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Ottawa-area man missing in Mexico

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Family members of a Carleton Place businessman are set to fly to Acapulco, Mexico, in search of a missing Ottawa-area resident.



Daniel Dion of Carleton Place, west of Ottawa, has been missing in Acapulco for almost a week. (Radio Canada)

Daniel Dion, who lives in the town 50 kilometres west of Ottawa, travelled to Mexico for a regular business trip more than three weeks ago, and although his family kept daily contact with him, the 51-year-old has not been heard from since last Friday.

Since then, he did not show up at his trade show booth and has also missed a series of business meetings in the area. His credit card has not been used for any purchases.

The family became alarmed when Dion did not show up for his flight home on Tuesday.

“You are thinking the worst of course, but you are still hoping and remaining positive. But we are also realistic,” niece Francesca Dion told CBC Radio. “It’s been a total mystery for us. We are doing everything we can.”

A Canadian Foreign Affairs official told the CBC that consular officials in Ottawa and Acapulco are gathering information. But Mexican police said they're not aware of Dion's disappearance.

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[Jay from Ottawa](#) wrote: Posted 2010/10/29

at 2:45 PM ET We should all do ourselves a favor and just avoid Mexico altogether for the next twenty years.

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[spacenospace](#) wrote: Posted 2010/10/29

at 11:36 AM ET Sentient Human wrote:

"spacenospace,

Same goes for your comment. Try reading Diamond's book. It is going to be a strange revelation for many because it deals with reality in an objective, factual, and purposeful manner. It's known as 'Working the Solution.'

No problem is ever resolved until its components are properly identified.

Look to examples like Ghandi, Louis Farakhan (He told the militant American Blacks where to look...in the mirror..., and Martin Luther King, and they helped the people advance more than all the Black Panthers and others who only blame the White Man (God knows the White Man carries a huge burden of guilt, but also has done much good)."

Sentient Human,

Odd that you would suggest that Mexico or South Africa would be better run by white men (they seem to just be a blanket bunch of capable people when put like that, however erroneous that is) but

then when you are challenged on it, you namedrop non-whites. These people wouldn't have been given any respect in the racist structure you're defending, peaceful or violent because it just innately excludes them based on skin colour.

Your argument also implies that Martin Luther King or Ghandi would have supported apartheid or Mexico's past and we both know that is ridiculous. The problem with your statements is that they are either just inaccurate in vocabulary or the idea behind them is terribly flawed. Nowhere did I ever propose that a violent solution was the only solution(not sure where you got that idea), but I unquestionably reject the idea that the citizens of these countries would be better off under apartheid.

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[rgobrien58](#) wrote:Posted 2010/10/29

at 11:20 AM ETYou know, people keep telling me I am wrong. Then death after death, robbing and muggings.

Mexico, no matter where you are, is a lawless society

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[Shoe1975](#) wrote:Posted 2010/10/29

at 11:20 AM ETOne more reason why I will never set foot in Mexico! Why visit there with so much corruption and deaths. Not worth it. Not worth risking losing my life for simply being a tourist...

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[miltechwriter](#) wrote:Posted 2010/10/29

at 10:38 AM ETAccording to the TV news story, Mr. Dion made his business buying stuff produced by inmates in Mexico's prisons which he imported to Canada to sell for profit. Having any dealings with convicted criminals, the Mexican police, Mexican authorities and other perhaps 'greased' officials provides the perfect situation for what has happened.

Drugs have corrupted Mexico and it a dangerous place to live in let alone visit and run a business with locals. Dion certainly was aware of the dangers or should have been, yet he gambled because of the profit he probably made in his dealings. Mr. Dion probably 'wronged' someone or maybe was in the wrong place at the wrong time when something went down.

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