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No more troops says NDP

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Jack Layton has slammed the door on any proposal to send more troops to Afghanistan or extend the mission -- even if Barack Obama becomes the next U.S. president and asks Canada to do so.

In a candid interview recently aboard his campaign plane, Layton told Sun Media that even though he has endorsed Obama, he would not support his foreign policy on the war in Afghanistan.

'THIS IS NOT WORKING'

"We would have to take on a very energetic discussion with President Obama about the path that should be taken in Afghanistan," he said. "By virtually every indicator you can find this is not working, and we do not believe more troops are the answer."

When asked if Obama himself asked Layton to support a call for more Canadian troops, the NDP leader replied: "That is not something we would support."

Layton also said the Liberals are no longer a party of the left and that only the NDP could be trusted to promote progressive values.

"I just don't accept the proposition that the Liberal party is a party of the left. Their campaigns are, but their governing isn't," he said. "I'm offering a role and asking people to support us ... Let's see how far we can go."

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