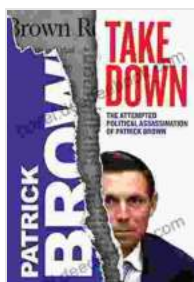


# Takedown: The Attempted Political Assassination of Patrick Brown

Patrick Brown, the former leader of the Ontario Progressive Conservative Party, was the target of a political assassination attempt in May 2018. The incident took place at a campaign event in Barrie, Ontario, and involved a man who approached Brown from behind and attempted to stab him.

Brown was not injured in the attack, but the incident sent shockwaves through the political community. Many people were stunned that such a brazen attempt on a politician's life could happen in Canada. The incident also raised questions about the level of security surrounding Brown and other high-profile politicians.



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## The Investigation

In the aftermath of the attack, police launched a full-scale investigation. They quickly identified the suspect as a 20-year-old man named Michael Thibideau. Thibideau was arrested and charged with attempted murder. He was later found not criminally responsible for his actions due to a mental disorder.

The investigation into the attack revealed that Thibideau had been planning the assassination for some time. He had purchased a knife and had made several threats against Brown. Thibideau also had a history of mental illness and had been treated for depression and anxiety.

### **The Motive**

Thibideau's motive for attempting to assassinate Brown was unclear. He did not know Brown personally and had no connection to the Progressive Conservative Party. Police believe that Thibideau may have been motivated by political ideology. Thibideau had expressed anti-conservative views online and had made threats against other conservative politicians.

### **The Impact**

The attempted assassination of Patrick Brown had a profound impact on the political landscape in Canada. The incident raised questions about the safety of politicians and the need for increased security measures. It also sparked a debate about the role of mental illness in political violence.

The attempted assassination also had a personal impact on Brown. He was shaken by the incident and had to undergo counseling to deal with the trauma. Brown has since returned to politics and is now the leader of the federal Conservative Party.

## The Legacy

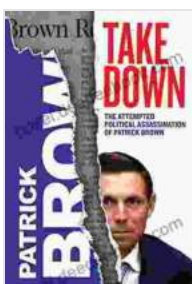
The attempted assassination of Patrick Brown is a reminder of the dangers that politicians face. It is also a reminder of the importance of mental health and the need to provide support for people with mental illness.

The incident has left a lasting legacy in Canadian politics. It has led to increased security measures for politicians and has sparked a debate about the role of mental illness in political violence.

The attempted assassination of Patrick Brown was a shocking and disturbing event. It is a reminder of the dangers that politicians face and the importance of mental health. The incident has left a lasting legacy in Canadian politics and has sparked a debate about the role of mental illness in political violence.

## Additional Resources

- \* CBC News: Patrick Brown stabbing: Man charged with attempted murder
- \* The Toronto Star: Man charged with attempted murder after Patrick Brown stabbing
- \* The Globe and Mail: Man found not criminally responsible in stabbing of former Ontario PC leader



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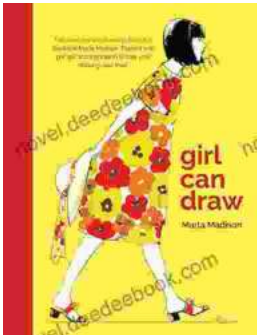
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