

To the Honourable Steven Blaney, Minister of Public Safety,

Marc Emery is a Canadian citizen who was extradited to the United States from Vancouver, British Columbia on May 20, 2010, and is serving the final year of a five-year federal prison sentence in Yazoo City, Mississippi.

On July 10, 2013 the United States Department of Justice approved Marc Emery's International Transfer of Offenders Act request to serve the remainder of his prison sentence in the Canadian Corrections system.

In your position as Minister of Public Safety, it is your decision whether or not to approve Marc Emery's repatriation to Canada. The International Transfer of Offenders Act and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms require that you consider certain factors in coming to your decision.

As you know, the purpose of the Act is to "contribute to the administration of justice and the rehabilitation of offenders and their reintegration into the community" by enabling them to serve their sentences in the country of which they are citizens or nationals.

Considering that Marc Emery meets all criteria for transfer, is not a threat to Canada's security, always abided bail conditions during the five years awaiting extradition, and received U.S. approval for transfer;

We, the undersigned political representatives of government, urge you to approve Marc Emery's transfer application to serve the remainder of his prison sentence in Canada.

Sincerely,