

Official Petition Requesting the Public Safety Minister of Canada
Approve Canadian Marc Emery's Treaty Transfer Application

I Draw the Attention of the Canadian House of Commons In Parliament to the Following:

THAT Marc Emery, a well-known Canadian political activist, publisher, businessman and Leader of the BC Marijuana Party, was arrested in 2005 at the request of the United States for selling cannabis seeds through the mail;

THAT Marc Emery never left Canada and had no employees or offices in the United States;

THAT Marc Emery was arrested for activities he openly and honestly pursued for over ten years in Canada with the knowledge of the public and all levels of government in both Canada and the USA;

THAT Marc Emery paid approximately \$500,000 in income tax to Revenue Canada as a "marijuana seed vendor" and met Revenue Canada officials regularly to discuss finances and sales;

THAT Marc Emery's activities were tacitly approved by Health Canada's referral of medicinal marijuana patients to seed banks such as Marc Emery Direct Seeds;

THAT Marc Emery faced possible life imprisonment in the United States without parole, a grossly disproportionate sentence by Canadian standards that does not even exist in Canada for murder;

THAT the United States Drug Enforcement Administration press release on July 29, 2005 clearly explained the United States' request for extradition was made for the purpose of prosecuting and punishing Marc Emery by reason of his political opinion, activity and involvement, and for his extensive financing of individuals and organizations working to change drug policy in North American and abroad;

THAT then-Justice Minister Rob Nicholson ordered Marc Emery extradited to the United States on May 10, 2010 to begin a U.S. federal prison sentence;

THAT, according to the International Transfer of Offenders Act, and Section 6 of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms, Marc Emery qualifies to return to Canada to serve his prison sentence;

THAT the Minister of Public Safety is responsible for approving prisoner transfer applications from Canadians imprisoned abroad, including the United States;

THAT Marc Emery meets all requirements for transfer and is not a risk to Canadian public safety;

AND THAT in July 2013 the United States Department of Justice approved Marc Emery's transfer, which was endorsed by the Washington State prosecutor and U.S. Federal sentencing judge;

THEREFORE, I call upon the Minister of Public Safety to approve Canadian Marc Emery's transfer request immediately so he may finish his prison sentence closer to family in his home country.

Sincerely,

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