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Medical Cannabis Users Association of Australia

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THE LAST STRAW in the Cannabis War

Enough is enough. Medical Cannabis Users Association (MCUA) and Hemp party supporters in this country have had enough of being “nice” and “asking” for permission to use cannabis.

After yesterday’s raid on arguably the most compassionate woman in Australia, who was raided by SA police “just doing their job” Several MCUA members phoned the Gawler police station expressing their disgust contempt and anger at what occurred.

They were hung up on. Police response: "WE must follow the law".

Dubbed the bullies in blue the police were unmoved by the backlash.

George Pouki, patient and advocate for cannabis law reform rang wanting to lodge a complainant about the raid. The policewoman he spoke to knew it was a medical cannabis unit and they kept defending their actions. He told her that they can turn a blind eye or refuse to participate and that they had a moral duty to do so. She confirmed that it was part of the War on Drugs and kept saying "It's against the law." When he told her that people will suffer and some might even die because their medicine has been stolen, her reply was: " I know." When he said that the majority of Australians want it legal her reply was: "I know." We are only doing our job.

Again, they hide behind policy.

Well Ms Hallam was “just doing her job too! Making herbal medicine to relieve suffering. The job that the govt are making such a hash of while they line up the pharmaceutical ducks for more roting of the tax system.

The cannabis community have been writing to politicians phoning them and meeting with them for over 2 yrs. The resultant action has been the usual “fobbing off” with form letters quoting the UN treaty and other prohibitionist propaganda. Then they come up with this hideous idea that all cannabis needs to be pharmaceutical to work. This is not true and they are simply laying the ground work to feed the pharmaceutical industry more golden eggs from the PBS goose and appease their political donors. This cannot go on.

The Will of the people is going unheeded. 97% of the community are in favour of medicinal cannabis and the number of supporters for full legalisation is growing daily. The benefits of removing the chains around cannabis far outweigh any perceived or imaginary risks. It’s time the “harm reduction” policy was updated and cannabis removed from the drug laws. Current scientific evidence abounds and it is stacking up, on a daily basis. It does more harm keeping cannabis from the people. Both the public health and public purse would benefit.

President of the MCAU Australia, Gail Hester says patients are sick of the rhetoric. “We are sick of the procrastination. We are done with polls; we are done with being polite. We are dealing with ostriches. Time they pulled their collective heads out of the sand and saw the light of common sense and common decency.”

Jenny Hallam makes medicine for people all over Australia for FREE – including some high-profile patients. Its time they came clean and stood up for the person who is risking all to help them. Speak up or go without. The govt certainly will not be meeting your needs any time soon.

The company supplying synthetic cannabis for the Victorian trial, Insys, recently donated \$500,000 to anti legalisation movement in Arizona, and stated in a filed disclosure statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission: “ pot poses a direct threat to their plans to cash in on a synthetic cannabis product.”

The current Govts at both levels need to wake up to this and start seeing the benefits both fiscally and to public health of full legalisation and for home growing. Cannabis is a billion dollar industry and it looks like conservative Australian politics will miss the boat again !

The cannabis consuming communises of Australia have had enough and will be organising nationwide rallies culminating in a big rally and march on parliament house in Canberra on 7th Feb. WE, the people, have declared war on the war on cannabis and from today we will not be silenced.

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