CMA Submission
Legalization, Regulation and Restriction of Access to Marijuana

Government of Canada – Task Force on Marijuana Legalization and Regulation

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STATEMENT  |  DÉCLARATION

Choi Sanman - legalization of marijuana

Deborah, September 9, 2016: The 2015’s overview in the Task Force on Marijuana Legalization and Regulation indicates that the Task Force is concerned with the following:

- The issues surrounding the relationship between cannabis use and health
- The potential harms associated with cannabis use
- The context of cannabis use in the Canadian setting

As such, the CMA is particularly interested in receiving recommendations from the Task Force on how to transition public health policies in Canada from a criminal to a regulatory framework. The Task Force’s recommendations should consider the context of cannabis use in the Canadian setting.

The CMA recommends that Canada’s cannabis legalization and regulation framework:

- Provide a public health approach to cannabis use
- Establish clear health policies
- Ensure public health education
- Promote evidence-based policies

In conclusion, the CMA is pleased to contribute to the Task Force’s work on cannabis legalization and regulation.

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