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To:

Select Committee into alternate approaches to reducing illicit drug use and its effects on the community

Dear Committee members, please consider my submission into

Inquiry into alternate approaches to reducing illicit drug use and its effects on the community

We have been losing the war on drugs since we began it.

More of the same will yield the same results.

We must:

Provide a legal avenue for drug addicted persons to obtain drugs. Interrupt the business model of the illegal drug suppliers.

Treat drug addiction as a sickness not a crime. Not marginalise the drug dependant persons.

Provide better support services for those who want help with drug related problems. (Currently available programs can take up to 6 months to access).

Legalise the personal use of marijuana. Provide a legal supply network for marijuana, perhaps similar to tobacco.