



World Federation Against Drugs (WFAD) Statement Regarding Financial Support From George Soros to Support Legalization of Marijuana

George Soros has donated one million dollars this week to support Proposition 19 in California – a proposition which, if passed next week, on November 2, would legalize cultivation, possession and use of marijuana in California.

The latest contribution by George Soros is not his first. He has for years been involved in supporting pro-drug initiatives, and in his book, *Soros on Soros*, he clearly states his agenda - *I'll tell you what I'd do if it were up to me. I would establish a strictly controlled distribution network through which I would make most drugs, excluding the most dangerous ones like crack, legally available. Initially I would keep the prices low enough to destroy the drug trade. Once that objective was attained I would keep raising the prices, very much like the excise duty on cigarettes, but I would make an exception for registered addicts in order to discourage crime. I would use a portion of the income for prevention and treatment. And I would foster social opprobrium of drug use.*

It is a great problem when a wealthy financier of pro-drug initiatives spends vast amounts of money in order to influence drug policy, not only in California but also at the federal and international level. It is especially worrisome that this is taking place at a time when the outcome of the voting on Proposition 19 is far from certain. Recent surveys indicate that Proposition 19 is losing support.

WFAD denounces efforts by George Soros to try to “buy” the general public, law enforcement agencies, and politicians to achieve legalization of marijuana.

“He that is of the opinion money will do everything may well be suspected of doing everything for money”
(Benjamin Franklin 1706-1790)

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The World Federation Against Drugs (WFAD) is a multilateral community of non-governmental organisations and individuals. Founded in 2009, the aim of WFAD is to work for a drug-free world. The members of the WFAD share a common concern that illicit drug use is undercutting traditional values and threatening the existence of stable families, communities, and government institutions throughout the world.

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