

Petition: Sanctuary for U.S. War Resisters

To the Government of Canada:

Whereas the invasion of Iraq has been deemed illegal under international law; and

Whereas the Nuremberg Tribunal convened after World War II, set out important principles of international law and established that *soldiers have a moral duty to refuse to carry out illegal orders*; and

Whereas a majority of Canadians agree that American soldiers who resisted the illegal and immoral U.S.-led war in Iraq should be allowed to stay in Canada; and

Whereas on March 30th, 2009 and June 3rd, 2008 the House of Commons adopted motions calling on the Government of Canada to immediately implement a program to allow war resisters and their families to stay in Canada and to halt all deportation proceedings against them; therefore

We the undersigned call on the Government of Canada to respect not only international law and international treaties to which it is a signatory, but also the will of the House of Commons and the wishes of the people of Canada, by immediately making provision for U.S. war resisters to have sanctuary in this country, halting all deportation proceedings against them, and rescinding Operational Bulletin 202.

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