Dear all,

it is with great sadness that we are sharing this news with you. On 6th of February this year, the district court in Brno, Czech republic, **confirmed a three year imprisonment for Dušan Dvořák**, the long-time Cannabis propagator, addictologist, holder of government awards for his work in the field of drug prevention and harm reduction and work with the handicapped, founder of the research <u>Cannabis is The Cure</u>, editor of the <u>Czech edition</u> of Uwe Blesching's book <u>Cannabis Health Index</u>.

He is sentenced for (recidivist) growing of **non-psychoactive Cannabis with 0,579% THC** in his crop (41,96 g of THC in 7 kilograms of high-CBD plants).

He is now sentenced for his 10-year long fight with the state for making Cannabis available to the ill and for noisily pointing out the critical unavailability of this medicine.

A statement on criminalising patients, yet a scientist and addictologist, would be much appreciated. Please also kindly forward this e-mail to whoever might be concerned.

If you could also contact Dušan in the prison it would help immensely for his moral, now a bit broken. (Mgr. Dušan Dvořák, Vazební věznice Olomouc, Švermova 2, Olomouc, 779 00, CZ)

We truly believed for a better outcome as the process in the District court in Prostějov did not settle with the proposed arguments (and did not acknowledge the defendant any benefits of his acting) and did not accite any proposed witnesses - unfortunately in Brno it was the very same story.

Dušan has been in custody as of 6th of November 2019 and has now officially boarded the prison sentence.

We have succeeded to collect 'enough' money over the course of his custody by making press releases to the Czech media, online statements, videos and one 3-day long charity concert, to be able **to hire the best advocates possible for the appeal trial** at the Highest court. We are still open for donations, of course. (Transparent account number of the research *Cannabis is The Cure*: 8243027001/5500 IBAN: CZ5655000000008243027001 swift: RZBCCZPP)

We now seek an international and highly expert support for Dušan that could be used as online as in the upcoming appeal trial. We have already kindly got the affidavit of Prof. Lumír Hanuš, Tomáš Ocelka and the Czech MP Tomáš Vymazal.

A complaint to the European Commission has been filed as well as an Application for Interim Measures at the European Court of Human Rights.

Please let us know if we can provide any more information to the cause for you to be able to react.

With deep respect,

Anna Němcová together with friends of Dušan