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Dear Mr. Cooper:

I apologize for this delay in responding to your recent letter, asking for the names of other Members of Congress who may favor the decriminalization of private drug use.

I am afraid that, at this point, no other Members have even suggested that they might consider the decriminalization of drugs. It is, as you know, an incredibly "hot" topic, and this is an election year -- so I doubt any Member would suggest that he or she might support it.

Nevertheless, I believe that this subject needs to be fully explored, and I encourage you to continue your efforts.

Sincerely,

Geo. W. Crockett, Jr.
Member of Congress

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Dear Mr. Crockett:

Thank you for sending me the copy of the Op-Ed piece which appeared in the Detroit News.

Eight of us have formed a group to actively petition Congress for drug decriminalization.

To that end, we would like to have the names of any members of Congress --- House or Senate--- that would be interested in receiving material from us and who would be sympathetic to this alternative.

We are preparing a basic pamphlet now which, to a great degree, will simply pick up the testimony of Kurt L. Schmoke, Mayor of Baltimore, in his testimony before Congress.

Schmoke's tone is so balanced and so dispassionate that I cannot imagine anyone disagreeing with him.

We would like to have your advice on who in Congress should receive these petitions.

In addition, if you can furnish the names of other individuals who other parts of the country who would like to form a network, it would be most helpful.

Any advice you can give us would be very helpful--- in all matters. This is all very new to me but I just feel very strongly about the subject.

Finally, we do need to raise money (a common problem). If you can furnish us with the names of any wealthy potential contributors, it would be helpful as well.

We have not filed for non-profit status. It's a little too early for that, and from what we hear, a bit of a hassle.

Sincerely,


Jerry Cooper