

PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS CALLING FOR ACTION FOR PEACE IN SYRIA

WE, the undersigned, residents of Canada, draw the attention of the House to the following:

THAT, since the war began in Syria in 2011, more than 470,000 people have lost their lives and 13.5 million people are in need of humanitarian aid. Since the beginning of the conflict, over four million people have fled Syria to seek refuge in Lebanon, Turkey and Jordan. These refugees include some 1.7 million children.

THAT, faced with what the UN describes as “the greatest humanitarian challenge of our time,” we are calling on the Canadian government to take action to protect civilians in Syria and to end the conflict through diplomatic means.

THEREFORE, your petitioners request that the Canadian government to do everything in its power to:

- Strengthen Canada’s diplomatic role to contribute to finding a lasting peace through political rather than military means, and bring the voice of Syrian civil society to the negotiating table;
- Ensure pathways for to humanitarian aid so that it can reach the most vulnerable people in Syria, and ensure that civilians are protected; and
- Promote both social cohesion and self-sufficiency among Syrian refugees and their host populations in neighbouring countries through the implementation of inclusive projects to ensure that people can provide for themselves and their families.

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When you have 25 or more signatures, please mail or bring the petition to your Member of Parliament and ask them to present it to the House of Commons. You can find your MP and their contact information at www.parl.gc.ca. Please let us know what action you have taken by filling out the form at www.devp.org/mp.

