

FREE DR. MORGENTALER DROP THE CHARGES REPEAL ANTI-ABORTION LAW

Saturday, June 15

2:00 pm Rally Medical Sciences Auditorium
King's College Circle, U. of T.

3:30 pm March to City Hall

Speakers to include Dr. Henry Morgentaler



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Join the Campaign

On June 17, Dr. Henry Morgentaler will be sentenced for performing an illegal abortion. He faces possible life imprisonment for this, the same charge on which he was acquitted by a Québec jury last November.

On April 26, the Québec Court of Appeals overturned this acquittal, declared Dr. Morgentaler guilty and ordered sentencing. Shortly afterwards he was jailed for ten days until public protest from all parts of the country resulted in the granting of bail pending sentencing.

Dr. Morgentaler has become known as one of the most outspoken campaigners for repeal of the federal government's anti-abortion law which he has denounced as "unjust, cruel and dangerous to women".

On March 16, at a cross-country conference for abortion law repeal, Dr. Morgentaler declared that he had assisted thousands of women in exercising their right to choose to end an unwanted pregnancy with dignity and under medically safe conditions.

The subsequent campaign of harassment, slander and victimization waged by the Québec government before, during and after Dr. Morgentaler's trial last November resulted in an increasingly militant campaign across the country in his defense. Defense committees in nearly a dozen cities have organized visible action calling for the dropping of all charges and repeal of the anti-abortion law. Thousands of people have learned about Dr. Morgentaler and the campaign for safe, legal abortion. Prominent Canadians have declared their solidarity with him and hundreds more have donated money to help organize defense activities.

Yet the Québec government has continued undeterred in its determination to convict and imprison Dr. Morgentaler in an attempt to defeat the growing abortion rights movement.

The attack on Dr. Morgentaler must end. If the courts are not willing to dispense justice in this case, we must demand it! All supporters of Dr. Morgentaler are urged to speak out now in his defense. By acting together we can organize a campaign that can win. Join us on June 15!

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DROP THE CHARGES NOW

REPEAL THE ANTI-ABORTION LAW

Please clip and mail to the Toronto Committee to Defend Dr. Morgentaler, Box 186, Station F, Toronto or phone 863-9999

___ Please contact me. I want to get involved

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___ I endorse the June 15 Rally and Demonstration.

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