

WAR RESISTERS SUPPORT CAMPAIGN

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**Federal Court decision positive: grants stay of removal  
Celebrations and calls for federal government to implement the  
will of Parliament**

TORONTO/CNW – Today's decision by Canada's Federal Court has peace, faith, student and humanitarian organizations celebrating and means that Corey is now free to remain in Canada while the court makes a decision on his application for judicial review. "We have not yet received the reasons for the decision but we are relieved and delighted," says Counsel Alyssa Manning.

The War Resisters Support Campaign is now calling on Canadians to urge the government to implement the June 3 parliamentary motion. It calls for an end to deportation orders against conscientious objectors and the opportunity for them to apply to remain in Canada as permanent residents.

In the U.S. today, actions took place at the Canadian Embassy and Consulates in 13 cities requesting the government of Canada give refuge to U.S. Iraq War resisters.

The Canadian Friends Service Committee (Quakers) sponsored a letter from many of Canada's faith communities requesting the federal government stop deportations. "Canada has always been a country of citizens who prize peace and peace making. We hope that public policy will reflect those aims," said Jane Orion Smith, spokesperson for the organization. "Corey's case and that of all the soldiers are based on substantive rights of conscience under international law that must be respected."

Amnesty International Canada yesterday issued an Urgent Action calling on Canadians to contact the Prime Minister and Diane Finley, Minister of Immigration. See Amnesty website at: [www.amnesty.ca](http://www.amnesty.ca).

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