



RESPONSE TO PETITION

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PETITION No.: **421-01184**

BY: **MR. ALGHABRA (MISSISSAUGA CENTRE)**

DATE: **MARCH 6, 2017**

PRINT NAME OF SIGNATORY: **THE HONOURABLE JODY WILSON-RAYBOULD**

Response by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada

SIGNATURE

Minister or Parliamentary Secretary

SUBJECT

National day

ORIGINAL TEXT

REPLY

The Government believes that the best way to acknowledge the devastating impact wrongful convictions have on individuals, their loved ones, the criminal justice system and society as a whole is to ensure that an effective process is in place to remedy such occurrences. Part XXI.1 of the *Criminal Code* - Applications for Ministerial Review – Miscarriages of Justice is in place to receive applications from those who believe they have been wrongfully convicted and the Minister of Justice has the authority to make orders to remedy such situations when they occur. The Government remains steadfast in its commitment to a fair and effective criminal justice system.