

Djokovic freed to live his life ... now

FREE THE REFUGEES



The prison hotel detention of **Novak Djokovic** is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the application of our harsh Migration Act. It is designed to keep innocent people in immigration detention *without end*.

The celebrity tennis player was freed to get on with his life after just **six days and two court hearings**.

Innocent people seeking asylum have been held for **more than 3100 days with no court hearing or end date to their detention**.

The world stopped to watch when Djokovic was sent to the Park prison hotel. *Who will keep watch until there is freedom for the refugees?*



Why are they still locked up?



It is not illegal to be a refugee.

Indefinite detention of people fleeing war and persecution is not a plan. Being deliberately cruel to one unfortunate group so that others will not attempt to come here is crude marketing.

A policy that relies on cruelty is inhumane and discredits all Australians.



Refugee advocates estimate about 33 men are currently being detained inside the Park Hotel in Carlton, Melbourne.

Image source: Mamamia online

Djokovic's family says he was tortured for four days in the prison hotel.

Innocent people have been held in those conditions, and worse, for more than 3100 days.

It's time now to free the Park Hotel prison refugees.

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The standard you walk past is the standard you accept.
”

Chief of the Army,
Lieutenant-General David Morrison



Grandmothers for Refugees is a grass roots movement that advocates for compassionate welcome and safe settlement of all people seeking asylum.

We are particularly concerned about the impact this has had on those who came here as children or who are still children.



Here are three actions that won't take you long at all.

1. Sign the online petition that calls on the Federal Government to free the refugees.

Scan this code to get to the change.org petition



2. Call the Minister for Home Affairs, Karen Andrews, on (02) 6277 7860 with your message:

Free the refugees from the Park Hotel prison.

3. Contact your local MP and make it clear that you care about this issue:

Nine years is too long.

A change of policy is needed now.



They arrived as children seeking safety But we locked them up NOW THEY SHOULD BE SET FREE



Since they were 15, Mehdi and Adnan have been detained by a cruel border control system that will never let them resettle here.



More than eight years later, they are now young men held in the Park hotel prison, Melbourne, where **Novak Djokovic was held then freed after four days.**

Mehdi and Adnan, and all Park hotel prison refugees need to be released NOW.

What will you DO about this cruelty?