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### HOW TO MAKE MONEY IN THE MARIJUANA STOCK MARKET

### WHITE HOUSE ADMINISTRATION TO CRACK DOWN ON POT

Jeremy Berke "Secretary of Homeland Security John Kelly called marijuana a 'gateway drug' on Tuesday, a clear signal that the DHS's stance on marijuana reflects that of the [Jeff Sessions-led Justice Department](#), and [the Trump administration](#).

"Let me be clear about marijuana," Kelly said [during comments at George Washington University in D.C.](#) "It is a potentially dangerous gateway drug that frequently leads to the use of harder drugs."

Kelly referred to the "vast tonnages" of marijuana and hard drugs that 'TCOs' – transnational criminal organizations – move across the border from Mexico.

Though Kelly has come out in favor of prosecuting marijuana, he told [NBC's "Meet the Press"](#) on Sunday that marijuana "isn't a factor" in the drug war, and is scarcely the biggest issue on the US-Mexico border.

"The solution is not arresting a lot of users," Kelly added."

Kelly said that until Congress passes a law to change marijuana's federal status, "we in DHS are sworn to uphold all the laws on the books." "Additionally, science tells us that it is not only psychologically addictive but can also have profound negative impact on the still developing brains of teens and up through the early 20s," Kelly said.

Kelly pledged to investigate marijuana's "illegal pathways" into the US, and arrest those involved with the drug trade "according to federal law."

Perhaps most tellingly, Kelly said that Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, would continue to use marijuana possession and distribution convictions as "essential elements" for deportation of undocumented immigrants."

It is clear to me that this industry will have enormous problems fighting the Feds.

It will take a Congressional vote for the cannabis industry to win this battle. Otherwise the Feds will enforce.