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## Activists deliver fake asbestos to Canadian MPs and PMO

Activist with a Canadian grassroots internet campaign called Canada Causes Cancer delivered fake asbestos to the office of Okanagan-Coquihalla MP Dan Albas June 20, the eve of a United Nations vote to include asbestos on a list of internationally banned substances.

The Prime Minister's Office and a total of 16 Canadian MPs received visits from the activists with the special white delivery. Activists with [www.canadacausescancer.ca](http://www.canadacausescancer.ca) call the the recent removal of asbestos from the Parliament buildings hypocritical in face of the fact that Canada is a leading exporter of the carcinogenic substance. Asbestos exposure is also a major cause of lung disease.

"If asbestos is safe enough to export, then why was it taken out of Parliament and the Prime Minister's home? This is a deadly double standard that is out of step with Canadian values," says Sean Devlin, one of the comedians responsible for the campaign, in a press release June 20.

The campaign was launched ten days ago by a group of comedians, promoted with a series of satirical videos. The campaign's website encourages Canadians to directly contact their MP and voice their concerns.

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