Drug Status Report

Drug: Magnesium stearate

Drug Name Status: Magnesium stearate is the common name

Chemical Name: Octadecanoic acid magnesium salt

Chemical structure:

Molecular Formula: $C_{36}H_{70}MgO_4$

Pharmacological class / Application: pharmaceutical aid

International status:

US: The substance is not listed specifically on the schedules to the CSA. It is also not mentioned on the DEA website.

United Nations: The substance is not listed on the Yellow List - List of Narcotic Drugs under International Control. The drug is not listed on the Green List - List of Psychotropic Substances under International Control.

Canadian Status: Magnesium stearate is not structurally similar to any substance listed on the schedules to the CDSA. It is a common ingredient in pharmaceuticals.

Recommendation: Magnesium stearate is not included in the schedules to the CDSA and is not a controlled substance.

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