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The Launch of the California Freedom Coalition

Concerned Californian citizens established the California Freedom Coalition (CFC) in March 2017. Its mission is to educate Californians about their political rights and freedoms, and to support the California Nationhood movement and its petition 16-0011 for a citizens' initiative on the 2018 mid-term elections. This petition and the movement behind it is colloquially called "Calexit".

Reports of Calexit affiliations with foreign countries, especially Russia, were widely circulated. The president of Yes California, one of the early Calexit organizations, lives and works in Russia. The association of a California secession movement being linked to Russia has been reported as undermining the efforts of thousands of activists working to gain the necessary signatures for 16-0011.

The CFC was formed independently of Yes California and other Calexit groups. The CFC Board of Directors have deep roots in California, are US citizens and all reside in California. While the goals of Yes California and CFC are similar, these are two distinct entities with no shared leadership. The two organizations will not collaborate, but both continue to promote California Independence.

The CFC will only accept donations from California residents. Donations made from another state will be under strict board review or else returned to the donor. No foreign money, funds, or in kind donations will be requested nor accepted.

Over the next few years, CFC will move energetically to broaden the Calexit movement. In addition to political processes, like the current petition drive, CFC has already established a "think tank" to raise awareness about the California's lack of equal representation in the US government.

The CFC is a 100% California based organization. The vast majority of services and products CFC uses and distributes are made and sold by Californian companies in California. From our servers to the printing of petitions and banners everything is California made and California STRONG!

About CFC

The California Freedom Coalition is a non profit organization formed under CA statute 23701d (IRS 501c3) to educate, assist and organize California residents through peaceful means in order

to ensure we have a place to live that reflects our values. Currently with 30,000 members and followers, CFC is one of the largest groups in California supporting California Independence.

We are promoting nonviolent actions to establish the Nation of California using legal and constitutional means to do so. We advocate for peaceful secession from the United States.

The Independence petition 16-0011 was written to gauge an understanding of Californians interest in California becoming its own nation. Polls indicated that one out of three Californians support independence and 47% were not opposed to the idea of California becoming an independent nation.

Please visit our website (<https://www.californiafreedomcoalition.com>) or Facebook group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/calfree/>) for more information.

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