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**Summary**

Boy band Big Bang’s Choi Seung-hyun, better known as T.O.P, was recently under police investigation for marijuana use. He **eventually admitted to it**. It’s not rare in Korea to see celebrities **being charged for** using marijuana or even narcotics. Many big-name musicians, comedians, and actors **have had their names come up in the national section of daily newspapers**.

The reason for the recurrence of celebrities **falling victim to controlled substances** is pretty understandable. As they prefer to relieve stress away from public focus - and, often, **clandestinely** - resorting to drugs seems to be an easy road.

When similar news reports make it to the headlines, arguments about **the decriminalization or legalization of marijuana** also follow. Though not as active in Western societies, there are **advocates** in Korea who emphasize the potential benefits of legalizing marijuana, such as medical use or reduction of other drugs.

The story of the investigation into the well-known rapper must have come as a shock to many of his fans. But it wouldn’t be shocking for many Koreans to say that **he’s only one of many yet to come**.

해석

1. eventually admitted to it 결국 (대마초 흡연을) 시인했다
2. being charged for ~로 기소되다
3. have had their names come up in the national section of daily newspapers 신문 사회면에 이름을 올렸다
4. falling victim to ~의 희생자가 되다
5. controlled substances 마약
6. clandestinely 은밀하게
7. the decriminalization or legalization of marijuana 대마초의 비범죄화 혹은 합법화

8. advocates 주장하는 사람
9. he's only one of many yet to come 앞으로도 있을 대마초 흡연 연예인 중의 한 명일 뿐이다

### Keywords / Key Sentences

1. 얼굴이 알려진 연예인들은 남의 눈에 띄지 않게 스트레스를 풀려 하는 경우가 많다. 그러다 보면 마약의 유혹에 넘어가기 쉽다. As celebrities are exposed to the public, they prefer to relieve stress privately. That's why they are more tempted to use drugs. / Being in constant public focus, celebrities often look for private ways to relieve stress. That's why they're more susceptible to drug use.
2. 대중의 관심을 받는 존재이니만큼 대중에게 모범이 되고 더 도덕적인 삶을 살아야 한다. Celebrities are in the public eye. They have to set an example to their fans and display a higher level of morality. / Celebrities are under the spotlight. They need to be a role model to their fans by upholding stronger moral values.
3. 대마초는 마약만큼 신체에 해가 되지 않고 다른 폭력행위나 범죄를 유발하지도 않는다. Marijuana is not as harmful as narcotics medically and doesn't directly lead to violent or criminal behavior. / Marijuana isn't as dangerous as narcotics in medical terms and has no direct relation to violence or crimes.
4. 대마초의 흡연이 결국 더 강한 마약 중독으로 이어지게 된다. 많은 폭력행위나 범죄의 원인이 된다. Use of marijuana becomes a gateway to harder drugs. It can also become a cause of many forms of violence and crime. / Marijuana use can lead to the use of harder drugs. On top of that, it can cause all kinds of violence and crime.
5. 많은 서방 국가들이 대마초의 합법화나 비범죄화를 진행하는 추세다. 의료 목적의 대마초 활용을 검토할 필요가 있다. Many countries in the West are seeking decriminalization or legalization of marijuana. Korea should at least consider legalizing it for medical purposes. / A lot of Western nations are looking to decriminalize or legalize marijuana. Korea should at least discuss the possibility of legalization for medical use.