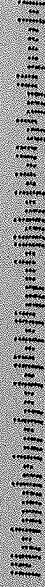


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## Cover letter

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Thank You All for  
the Great Package!

Dear P.U.P & Friends, May 1<sup>st</sup> 2020

As the roller coasterish month of April ends; the blooming month of May begins by slapping my face with 'A' grin.

Throughout the entire month of April <sup>(My Birthday month)</sup> A phone company by the name of: 'Global Tel link', granted us Free phone calls - Wow! This was A blessing to me for; it allowed me to get intouch with my children and family who I haven't spoke with in years. As I sat in one of the dorm housing units trying to, "take advantage of the Crisis" (Barak Obama), we were hit with an administrative grenade - "If your name is called, you are moving to the gym!" We were previously told that a lot of us incarcerated residents were going to be released back to society and a lot of us would be transferred or moved to different parts of the prison for social distancing. More over, 108 of us were moved to the gym.

When I arrived to the gym my fellow residents were hard at work connecting extension cords from the three last existing sockets that the gym has, the rest were capped and covered some time ago as the black paint over the metal faces bears witness. The purpose for the webb connection of extension cords was for us to connect our T.V's. Although the Webb connection was in operation for a few days, administration dropped another bomb on us with the verbal "Disconnect!" meaning, we had to disassemble the Webb connect, which we didn't like at all, but complied with several residents dropping grievances inside the 602 appeals box.

Although my "taking advantage of the crisis" moment has been constantly interrupted for some strange reason or another, I have found time to do a lot of relaxing. I find that relaxation is very much needed, and for our

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Mother earth I can say the same. Like some of us humans, Mother Earth has been over worked and is in need of some sweet motherly rest. While I do know that a lot of my human siblings are eager to get back to the hustle and bustle of earthly living, I urge us to allow Mother to rest a little while longer to replenish herself (just a thought).

I know the economy is down but look at the upside, this crisis has brought a lot of us closer and has enabled us to help one another. Let's take Global Tel Link for instance; this phone company has helped me (and many others) to get in touch with loved ones I haven't spoke with in years - My Kids! Words can not express the flood of emotions that buckled me as I spoke with my children.

More over let's take my P.U.P. & Friends, OK, Mt. TAM. & Friends. A day after I wiped the tears from my eyes after hearing of the death of my dear Cousin, Doris.

I was slapped with a spirit lifting care package full of goodies and love that brought us all together creating forms and conjuring up unconscious debates using persuasive arguments on which item was the best. Although all the items in the care package sent to the residents of San Quentin by Mt. TAM staff and friends, were ~~all~~ good to the palate and informational to the mind (reading material), I was for and on the side of the grass-fed Country Archer Original Beef Jerky; yes, yes, they tricked me.

Allow me to explain my claim... I examined the "original" package of "Jerky" and I found their statement on the back which speaks of their good quality of meat. As I begin to read their words my lips poked out in a universal doubtful fashion with the (yeah right) eyes.

The company of Country Archer states: "We get a lot of emails from people saying that our Jerky is good. A little  
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"Too good";-(ok now!) If you ask them. In fact, they want to know what we're doing to "trick it up."-(right!) Well, rest assured there's nothing tricky or sneaky or otherwise shady going on.-(show sounds that way to me). Country Archer Jerky is Handcrafted in small batches using only the finest quality ingredients-Not from mythical creatures like Werewolves, Hydra or Griffins. (Here's their bottom line), Bottom Line: What you see on the label is what's inside "the package" (Country Archer Jerky Company).

After reading their statement I'm ready to taste some old school "Original" tough "Jerky", well to my surprise after opening up the pack, I placed a piece of meat on my tongue preparing my teeth for the chewy struggle ahead. However, I found myself a bit upset for smashing my teeth against each other. The Savory meat quickly melted under my bite which made me rethink their "tricky"/"sneaky" statement. In a nut shell, this Jerky is great

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and the rest of my gym-mates think so as well. I thank you Mt. TAM. Staff and Friends for the lovely, much appreciated, care package.

While this Covid-19 crisis is not to be taken lightly, for many lives has succumbed to this pandemic; We as A resilient people are to stay connected in love helping one another in the midst of this storm.

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- Just In Info, Mt. TAM & Friends; Supporters of San Quentin Residents:

While listening to 94.1fm Radio on May 5<sup>th</sup> 2020 @ approximately 4 o'clock pm - Hard Knock Radio announced that there will be a Rally outside of San Quentin this Saturday at 11am in support of "Freeing Elderly Residents and those at risk Residents to Covid-19." The Caravan will rally at the Fair Terminal Parking lot... For more info, please contact "Hard Knock Radio @ 94.1fm"

- Oscar Grant's Uncle Bobby will be in attendance.



In closing, I want to thank you for all you've done and do for the Men and Women in Blue, continue to stay connected loving others and you.

P.S. Please tell all the teachers of "BrothaDee" in the P.U.P./Mt. TAM. World of English (yes - even the toughest two, <sup>Ms.</sup> Courtney & <sup>Ms.</sup> Angela of 99B... THEY FLUNKED ME!), that I am still in the grueling process of learning the English language. However, Ebonics has been good to me. Oh yeah, African American Vernacular language as stated by the Universities - says <sup>Ms.</sup> Courtney and the supporting documents she showed me, and gave me (via) Allison, but I'm too lazy to dig it up. Oh, here it is; Two sources: Source one is from Cambridge University Press: "Some African-American Perspectives on 'Black English Vernacular'" Oh will you look at that. I misquoted <sup>Ms.</sup> Courtney - I apologize. It's not the above AA.VL, it's B.E.V. The Authors are Barbara L. Speicher & Seane M. McMahon. Source: language in Society, Vol. 21, no. 3 (Sep., 1992), pp. 383-407. Stable URL: <https://www.jstor.org/>

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The second source is from: Dillard, J.L.  
(1973/1972). Black English: Its history and  
usage in the United States. New York:  
Vintage Books. That's it here... Faculty -  
can you all educate me as to why the  
years above (1973/1972) are backwards?

P.S. Do tell my Environmental Justice  
(or Injustice) instructor Juleen that  
I said - Mother is getting some much  
needed Rest!

GOD Bless you all and be safe through  
Covid-19 Quarantine, and if you are feeling  
down just take A look at Jody Lewen (doesn't  
she look like Ellen the talk show host?)  
Anyhow, if down's got you gripped, break up  
outa that corner and get your boogie on (dance).

Yes: You can share this letter with others  
if you choose too. Oh, tell Darius that its A  
great time to brush up on his coding skills, and  
David his comedy skills, and Hannah, her Jody skills  
(L.O.L). she's very helpful.

sincerely,  
Your Student Derry "Brotha-Dee" Brown  
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