



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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Dear Sir/Madam:

I am in receipt of your letter received in my office from your company named MIM Distributors. In the letter you request the following:

1. A copy of the Division Operating Procedure restricting issues of your publication from the VADOC prison system.
2. A reason for the restriction of issues of your publication from the VADOC prison system.

Enclosed you will find a copy of Operating Procedure #803.2 (Incoming Publications). This will provide you with the necessary understanding for why particular issues of publications are restricted. Based upon a brief review of the historical restrictions of issues for your particular company it appears that most issues are restricted for the following reason per OP #803.2:

OP 803.2/Att.#1, Section #7 – *Materials the promotes or advocates violence, disorder, insurrection or terrorist activities against individuals, groups, organizations, the government, or any of its institutions.*

OP 803.2/Att.#1, Section #12 – *Material whose content could be detrimental to the security, good order, discipline of the facility, or offender rehabilitative efforts or the safety or health of offenders, staff, or others.*

Please take a moment to review the policy and if you have any questions then please contact me at (804) 674-3303, ext. 1118.

Thank you for taking the time to write the Virginia Department of Corrections Headquarters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "W.D. Jennings, Ph.D.".

W.D. Jennings, Ph.D.  
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cc: Deputy Director of Operations