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September 8th, 2014

, Legal Assistant
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Dear :

I am in receipt of your letter dated August 7, 2014, regarding a censorship determination for Under Lock & Key, issue 38 (May/June 2014). Resultantly, an independent review of the Publication Review Committee's decision to disapprove the publication has been conducted.

The independent review yielded that the Publication Review Committee's disapproval of Under Lock & Key, issue 38 (May/June 2014) is to be upheld. This decision is based on information contained on page four, column three, and paragraph number three. The information contained in that paragraph has the potential to incite violence, disorder and/or insurrection within our prison facilities. Regarding your request for minutes of the Publication Review Committee's independent reviews of Under Lock & Key, issue 38 (May/June 2014), please be informed that our policy does not require that we provide minutes to publishers or distributors as part of the independent review process. The action and response to your request for a review of the disapproval of Under Lock & Key, issue 38 (May/June 2014), as contained in this correspondence, fulfils our obligations for a request for an independent review of a publication disapproved for receipt by an inmate. Please be assured that we will continue to fulfil our obligations to conduct independent reviews when requested to do so; but, we must not violate our policies and practices in doing so.

As always, thank you for bringing your concerns to my attention.

Sincerely,

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