

## Texas Department of Criminal Justice

Brad Livingston Executive Director

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Dear

The Mail System Coordinators Panel (MSCP) is in receipt of your letter regarding the denial of Under Lock & Key, N6.

Established policies and procedures for the review of publications do not require offenders be notified of the receipt of publications. The Mail System Coordinators Panel (MSCP) is responsible for the review of all incoming publications, excluding authored books, intended for offender receipt. One copy of each publication requiring review is forwarded by the various unit mailrooms to the MSCP office for review. The MSCP notifies the unit mailrooms of their decisions as to approval or denial. Notification of denial or delivery of approved publications will be within 72 hours of unit receipt of the MSCP decision.

Under Lock & Key, N6 was denied by MSCP on March 3, 2009 due to page 7 advocating a hunger strike. An offender at the Huntsville Unit appealed this denial. The Director's Review Committee (DRC) upheld the denial of the publication on March 23, 2009. Further consideration of this publication will not be entertained.

Should you have additional questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Sincerely,

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