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Dear Karen,

Please excuse my delayed reply to your posting. Prisoners have no access to computers, so Between the Bars has to mail responses to me, then I mail replies to them for posting. Unfortunately, our prison overlords do not share our urgency in mail.

Anyway, I am so delighted you are willing to carry this cause forward; you are a sentient heroine! This punishment driven system not only produces state made monsters, but severely bleeds an already anemic economy. Per year, prisons cost nationwide \$63.5 billion dollars, California \$14+ billion.

Your latest posting was cut off, so I didn't receive the last part of your message. However, do please spell check the essay (4pages accompanied) and disperse it (or anything else on my blog) as you please.

Karen, as an old man in prison, I experience first hand the system's insensitivity toward the elderly, but much sadder, I bear witness to very young men coming into this horrid place to be turned into hardened monsters. "REHABILITATION" is nothing more than a rhetorical device, a Potemkin village few are willing to look behind.

To expedite messages, you may write directly to: Robert Outman, P-79939, PO Box 409060, Ione, CA 95640-9060.

In debt and admiration to your altruism,