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Nicki, today I received the postcards, letters, pictures and news articles. I was very happy to hear from you and I will write back as soon as I get stamps. My hunger strike ended in a suicide attempt about which I am attaching a report to this reply.

The prison's response to my suicide attempt is not to offer help but rather to discipline me. I have been moved to a disciplinary housing unit where inmates scream all day and night. My first 6 days post-suicide attempt were spent in an all concrete room, naked and forced to sleep upon concrete. I had no shower or toilet. On the 7th day I was given a mattress. On the 8th clothing, bedding and my personal papers. I am still deeply depressed. Solitary confinement is a form of living death. All that defines you as human is stripped away. Your senses are numb. The silence is suffocating only to be followed by such noise you believe the hounds of hell are loose. Your skin screams to be touched. Your ears beg for comforting sounds. Your eyes long to see beauty. Your nose pleads to smell something other than blood, feces and pepper spray. Your tongue prays for flavor.

To people like SAH one injustice demands another. In America the prison guards are intoxicated by a power over fellow human beings that is unchecked by the Courts, the Congress or the Media. To them I am an animal that must be subservient. Any hint of individualism or intellectualism shall be beat from me with a cruelty that has no place in a democracy. Some days I am the fierce tiger like the card you sent me, defiant to my core. Some days I am weak and weary eager only for this horror show to be over. I often blame society in general terms but really it is the media, the politicians and the judges I am contemptuous of. These people have a legal and moral obligation to ensure that what the system does in the name of society promotes a foundation of justice, human decency and morality as the bedrock of that society. Their failure is breathtaking in this country and people like yourself and Arcadiasgo give me hope that good and decent people still exist. People who view criminals as human beings capable of redemption and as equally deserving of punishment as a chance at rehabilitation and hope.



Part I - Incident Report

1. Institution: United States Penitentiary, Administrative Maximum, Florence, Colorado				
2. Inmate's Name: Jeremy Pinson	3. Register Number: 16267-064	4. Date of Incident: 11-30-12	5. Time: 11:15 a.m.	
6. Place of Incident: Z-Unit, A Range, Cell 2-207	7. Assignment:	8. Unit: Z Unit		
9. Incident: Tampering with or blocking any lock device Misuse of authorized medication		10. Prohibition Act Code (s): 208 302		
11. Description of Incident : (Date: 11-30-12 Time: 11:15 a.m. Staff became aware of incident)				

On 11/30/12, at approx. 11:15 a.m., I, (Escort #1) Officer M. Santistevan was one of two escorts who went to cell 2-207 in Z-Unit which houses Pinson Jeremy #16267-064. At this time when entering the Sally-Port, I observed an altered sheet tying his inner slider to the stationary bars in the cell. The obstruction was located at the bottom of the bars. The way it was tied made it appear that the slider would not open from control because of it. I heard Pinson state, "These are heart medication." Stuck out his tongue revealing 4 white unidentified pills on it then made a swallowing motion. In his left hand he had what looked like an envelope filled with multiple white pills, he showed them to me then began to consume them. Pinson had what appeared to be a homemade rope with a noose attached to it hanging from the upper middle portion of his bars. He placed the noose around his neck and took a seated position. A call for assistance was made. I began trying to loosen the rope and remove the noose from the neck of Pinson. At one point I had the noose off but he grabbed it and repositioned it around his neck. I continued trying to remove the noose. Responders arrived and aided me in removing the noose from Pinson's neck. When Pinson was free of the noose he laid on the cell floor. I advised the responders of the obstruction and Health Services Staff cut the altered sheet to allow responders into the cell. The altered sheet was cut enabling the responders to enter the cell and aid Pinson. Pinson was fully restrained and escorted to medical for evaluation. I received no injuries from this incident.

12. Type Name/Signature of Reporting Employee: M. Santistevan <i>M. Santistevan</i>		13. Date and Time: 11-30-12/ 2:42 p.m.	
14. Incident Report Delivered to Above Inmate by (Type Name/Signature): <i>[Signature]</i>	15. Date Incident Report Delivered: <i>12/6/12</i>	16. Time Incident Report Delivered: <i>6:06pm</i>	

Part II - Committee Action

17. Comments of Inmate to Committee Regarding Above Incident

18. A. It is the finding of the committee that you: <input type="checkbox"/> Committed the Prohibited Act as charged. <input type="checkbox"/> Did no Commit a Prohibited Act. <input type="checkbox"/> Committed Prohibited Act Code (s): <input type="text"/>	B. The Committee is referring the Charge (s) to the DHO for Further Hearing. C. <input type="checkbox"/> The Committee advised the inmate of its finding and of the right to file an appeal within 20 calender days.
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19. Committee Decision is Based on Specific Evidence as Follows:

20. Committee action and/or recommendation if referred to DHO (Contigent upon DHO finding inmate committed prohibited act):

21. Date and Time of Action: _____ (The UDC Chairman's signature certifies who sat on the UDC and that the completed report accurately reflects the UDC proceedings.)

Chairman (Typed Name/Signature)

Member (Typed Name)

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