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"PRISONER ON HUNGER STRIKE, WAS PUNISHED FOR MAKING VALENTINE'S DAY NECKLACE FOR DAUGHTER

Dear USA Today;

I would like for you to print my story, and I encourage you to use your resources for seeking out the truth. I am a prisoner at the Columbia Correctional Institution, in Portage Wisconsin. My name is Yusef Lateef Williams # 230389. I'm currently on a "Hunger Strike", in which I began on 2-22-13 in protest of punishment handed out to me for idiotic and insane reasons.

I painted a white beaded necklace "RED", I was going to attach a heart charm to it as a Valentine's Day gift necklace for my daughter. My cell was searched, the necklace was confiscated, and I was placed on T.L.U. (Temporary Lock-up). On 2-20-13, Ms. Sandy Hautamaki (The Unit Manager & Acting Hearing Officer) sentenced me to 16 days of cell confinement and arbitrarily ordered Sgt. Gibson to remove me from my job as a unit serverly worker (cook).

Inmates sentenced to cell confinement are allowed to still maintain their work/school assignments according to C.C.I.'s very own inmate Handbook Rule 18.1A(1) page 22. As proof of the arbitrariness, there are a number of inmates on Unit #9 and throughout the institution, sentenced to "cell confinement" and are still going to work and/or school. This was an abuse of discretion at its finest!

I received this sentence based on a flawed & inaccurate theory. The rules and authorities of this prison adamantly maintain that "RED" is the color of the Vice Lords, and that I am a Vice Lord, so I'm guilty of gang activity, which falls under the vague rule violation of 303.20 Wis. Adm. Code.

I adamantly maintain that "RED" is not — and has never been a color of the Vice Lords in any shape or form!!! I officially retired from this organization 3 years ago. I was a former Universal Elite within the TVL Branch. There are a number of branches, but every single branch going back to the early 50's have always — I mean always been "Black & Gold".

The responsibilities of a "U.E." is Teacher/Leader, I would not have acquired this position without thoroughly being well rounded with its history. I'm from the westside of Chicago, born & raised where it spreaded forth. I've spoken with the rules & authorities of this dismal crypt, and their response was: "our training tells us this" — "we were trained by the Wisconsin Dept. of Corrections and this is what we go by"

"We've been to NATIONAL CONFERENCES where all the OFFICIALS AGREE THAT "RED" is the color of THE VICE LORDS."

ONE Ruler said: "I've been doing THIS FOR 22 years, YOU MEAN TO tell me, we've been WRONG FOR 22 years?" MY Responce WAS: Yes, AND I WAS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE VICE LORDS FOR 32 years, YOU MEAN TO tell me THAT I DON'T KNOW THE COLORS?"

I suggested THAT they call the CHICAGO Police Dept. AREA 4 District ON HARRISON & Kedzie, which sits RIGHT in the HEART OF THE VICE LORDS COMMUNITY, AND speak to ONE OF their GANG CRIME / TASK FORCE AUTHORITIES to discover the TRUTH. ALL REFUSE to do so. I mean stubbornly REFUSE to make A simple call. IN the words similar OF JACK NICHOLSON, "They don't want to know the TRUTH, because they can't HANDLE the TRUTH!!!"

FOR the SWORD OF TRUTH plunges into the HEARTS OF the ARROGANT AND IGNORANT, it deflates those who ARE puffed-up with PRIDE, it shines FORTH with brilliance, but they deliberately close their eyes to its GLORY & splendor, they ARE dumbfounded & deaf, plugging their EARS to the MAGNIFICENT swoosh OF TRUTH, that sound that rings ever so clear.

I implore you AND everyone who reads this story, to do some simple research. I'm 99.9% certain that THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE & SUN-TIMES, Google AND/OR THE CHICAGO Police Dept. AREA 4 District HAS the "TRUE" History & Knowledge, THAT THE VICE LORDS colors ARE AND HAS ALWAYS BEEN "BLACK & GOLD"!!! THE OFFICIALS AT C.C.I AND WITHIN the entire WIS. Dept. OF CORRECTIONS HAVE their REAR IN THE AIR, AND HEADS IN THE GROUND like ostrich's

I also invite ANYONE who discovers the FACT OF "BLACK & GOLD" being the TRUE colors OF THE VICE LORDS, to call E-MAIL AND/OR FAX this TRUTH TO THE WARDEN OF C.C.I, MR. MICHAEL MEISNER OR CAPTAIN KELLER, - THE SO-CALLED "CERTIFIED GANG specialist," 608-742-9100 FAX -> 608-742-9111.

I shall steadfastly remain on the "HUNGER STRIKE" until the PHARISEE'S OF this institution set matter's RIGHT. I've been informed by the medical STAFF, THAT they will seek A court order to "FORCE FEED me" when my VITAL signs WEAKENS. THANK YOU FOR Reading, Posting AND Helping me in ANY type OF way. MAY THE GREAT ARCHITECT AND Designer OF THE UNIVERSE continue to bless you ALL.

Respectfully written & submitted;
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Dated this 5TH day OF MARCH, 2013 C.E.

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