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Prolog

I finished the attached letter on December 28, 2011, with the intention of mailing it in the week of January 1, 2012. However, the impending assault I discussed occurred on December 30th. I spent six days in Administrative Segregation (in protective custody) and was only released after I signed a waiver of liability for the institution, which I was happy to do; as to do otherwise would be allowing the criminal code that pervades the compound an easy victory over the treatment community.

I find my level of anxiety over the Hudson Correctional Facility (HCF) and Alaska Department of Corrections' lack of concern over the conditions that Treatment is forced to be conducted under to be increasingly alarming. Over a year ago, individual from another building were sent into the TC pod to commit an assault. Not only were they successful, but they got away without consequence on the transport back to Alaska the same night. After several more assaults on the same community member, he was forced to ask for placement in placement in the protective custody unit. Last fall, one community member caught another snorting a crushed pill and held him accountable for his actions. This person was immediately branded a rat on the compound and threatened with bodily harm. After initially signing a waiver of liability in order to stay in treatment, this person also succumb to threats and moved into the protective custody unit. In the current situation, an Assistant Warden and the Facility Major were made aware of the threats of violence against treatment facilitators more than two weeks before I was assaulted. To date, no steps have been taken to protect the integrity of the treatment program or those who facilitate it. As a result of HCF and DOC's failure to act; the quality of treatment provided is suffering. Allowing the organized elements on the yard to believe they have achieved their objectives: control of the treatment process.

Isolating the Treatment Community would not be that difficult or costly. However, until the Treatment Community is segregated, I will have to limit my outside contacts on my own, give up recreational activities and eat as much commissary as possible to avoid going to the chow hall.

It is my prayer that you find the environment that the Treatment Program is being conducted under to be both alarming and unsustainable. If so, please voice you concerns to legislators and the Department of Corrections.

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