

EXHIBIT A



Inmate Request Form

Connecticut Department of Correction

CN 9601
REV 1/31/09

Inmate name: DANIEL GREER Inmate number: 433222

Facility/Unit: Cheshire Housing unit: NB4-15 Date: Mar 4 '20

Submitted to: Rev. Dr. Charles Williams and Counselor Baynet

Request: I am an Orthodox Jew, born and raised, as such and received in 1975, rabbinic ordination.

On December 6, '19, I arrived at Cheshire C. I. During the past couple of months, I have made repeated written inmate requests on Form CN9601 to Food Service, most recently on Feb. 18 '20, regarding serious religious and dietary deficiencies in the so-called "kosher" diet provided me. I have not received responses to these requests. And, as I have pointed out in some, many and frequently most, of the foods do not meet

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Previous action taken:

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I can't address dietary issues.

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Staff signature: Date: 3/16/20

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Orthodox kosher standards. Accordingly, I may not and do not consume them. In addition, I have not had meat or poultry or any hot meals since coming here, despite requesting that such prepared dinners, under Orthodox Rabbinical supervision, be offered me at least for the Sabbath requests.

The Passover Holiday is now just about a month away. Not one single food or drink, save for whole apples and oranges, currently supplied as part of the alleged "kosher" diet is acceptable on Passover as kosher for that festival.

From just before noon on Passover eve, this year April 8 through night-fall April 16, very strict dietary requirements are mandated by Jewish Law. These rules entail not merely the prohibition to consume bread or regularly prepared grain products. Also precluded are all foods which have been readied (cut, sliced) with hot or cold utensils or come into contact with kitchen surfaces that have not been specially "koshered" i.e., purged or blow-torch-fired under Orthodox Jewish supervision. Further, regarding Passover, Jewish Law does not allow for the most minute, for want of a better word,

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"contamination" of non-Passover prepared foods which may have been absorbed in utensils and/or surfaces.

There is no recourse to nullification of the objectionable which may be allowable, yet still deemed kosher during the rest of the year.

Fortunately, Passover prepared kosher meals are available under recognized Orthodox Jewish supervision. For instance, they can be ordered through the Aish Organization, (305-866-5875) and I am prepared to pay for the cost entailed through commissary. I require such meals for the entire Passover.

In addition, ceremonial Passover prepared Seder plates and foods will be necessary for the nights of April 8 and 9 in order to conduct the ritual Seder each night. This service will begin at nightfall - circa 8:45 P.M. and in the words of the Federal Prison memo "may extend up to three hours - ... all ceremonies could reasonably conclude by then." Again, such ceremonial plates and the special handmade Shmurah Matza and grape juice may be ordered through Aish, for which I will underwrite the cost.

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In summary, I will need sealed Passover ready shelf stable meals prepared under Orthodox Jewish Rabbinical supervision, beginning with lunch Passover Eve, April 8 and then all three daily meals through April 16, for a total of 26 meals. I will also need a Passover ceremonial plate, 5 boxes of Shmurah special handmade Matzah (each box containing six Matzahs) and one case of paper juice boxed grape juice, 10 cartons per case (4 x 6.5 ozs), of course, again under Orthodox Rabbinical supervision. As set forth above, I am prepared to pay for these food purchases through the commissary and the availability made ^{to me} for a location to hold the two Passover Seder.

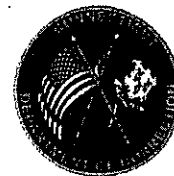
Thank you.

Sincerely yours,
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P.S. It should also be noted that none of the present commissary foods meet Passover requirements.



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March 11, 2020

To Inmate: **GREER, DANIEL** NUM: 00433222
Facility: **CHESHIRE CI**

Mr. Greer,

I am responding to your letter dated 3/4/20.

You were given a form to use for ordering Matzo. I am including in this correspondence another one, as this is the process used in the CT D.O.C. for ordering religious items not sold in the commissary.

I assure you we have an excellent Passover observance program supervised by the Jewish chaplains. Please feel free to reach out to the Jewish chaplain in your facility should you have additional questions about Passover.

Sincerely,

Reverend Dr. Williams

CC: Director Murphy, Deputy Warden, Facility Chaplain, File

Attachment: First page of inmate correspondence