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То:	Director Michael Carvajal, Federal Bureau of Prisons
From:	United Voices for Sex Offense Reform
Subject:	Request for Action - Policies and Procedures

The United Voices for Sex Offense Reform (UV4SOR) is a national advocacy organization striving to reform and transform the life-long stigma and collateral damage that is inherent with charges and convictions of child pornography and sex offenses.

Introduction We aspire to make progress together toward the insensitive and demeaning treatment, mental health rehabilitation, registries, sentences and laws for those who have or are facing sexual offense charges, and affecting changes in these areas. UV4SOR advocates providing help to those who are impacted by these charges, including their families and communities, with awareness and education.

UV4SOR is reaching out to you as we have growing concerns for individuals facing incarceration and for those who are incarcerated in the federal prison system. Safety, discrimination, and inhumane treatment are consistent issues being brought to our attention.

Background

There is disconnection between the written policies and how these individuals convicted of sex offenses are actually treated in the facilities. Our focus is to bring awareness and change to these issues that continue to impact those who carry the "stigma" of sex offense convictions.

	1.	The Bureau of Prisons (BOP) designation process is often inefficient, placing these inmates in unsafe locations, despite its stated safety goal of "ensuring that federal
		offenders serve their sentences of imprisonment in facilities that are safe, humane,
		cost efficient, and appropriately secure" (https://www.bop.gov/about/agency/)
Concerns	2.	They are in facilities where they are mistreated by both staff and other inmates based
		solely upon their conviction.
	3.	They are routinely subjected to isolation and denied basic needs and rights as they
		navigate the process of placement into a safe unit or facility.

Appropriate placement in the system for these individuals or immediate resources for transfers is a reasonable goal to prevent them suffering further punishment for protecting themselves from the threat of physical harm.



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Action	Considering your position and responsibilities, we believe that your attention to these consistent concerns is essential – not only to the operations in the prison system but to the many families who are genuinely concerned with these management operations and the safety of their loved ones.	
Next Steps	 United Voices for Sex Offense Reform welcomes the opportunity to: 1. Discuss the BOP designation process with you. 2. Learn more about the policies of the prison system and understand its treatment of individuals with sex offense charges. 3. Enable mutual assistance to help facilitate better public relations between all of us who are concerned for the safety of our loved ones. 	
Thank you	Your time is greatly appreciated, and we look forward to collaborating with you for positive and healthy changes. Please contact UV4SOR to discuss our concerns further. Additionally, if this correspondence would be better answered by a different department, kindly provide that information so that we may update our database with the correct information.	
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