

October 16, 2024

Raul Maldonado Jr. Warden Metropolitan Detention Center, Brooklyn

Dear Mr. Maldonado:

On behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals—PETA entities have more than 9 million members and supporters globally—I'm writing to request that you prevent Sean "Diddy" Combs from being involved in any instances of sexual assault while in your custody by providing him with only dairy-free meals. Please let me elaborate:

Mr. Combs is accused of rape, sex trafficking, and similar offenses involving nonconsensual sexual acts, so please consider that the meat and dairy meals he's given are also products of sexual violence, certainly extreme sexual violence against females in the dairy industry, whose reproductive systems are manipulated, controlled, and exploited. Cows are forcibly restrained and artificially inseminated (i.e., raped) with a factory farmer's hand thrust up inside them on what the dairy industry itself calls "rape racks." As you can see in this 60-second video, to impregnate a cow, a person jams his or her arm far into the cow's rectum to locate and position the uterus and then forces a long semendelivery syringe into her vagina. Cows often bellow and try to escape, but they are held fast, sometimes with a "twitch," a cruel means of causing pain to their nostrils to make them afraid to move. Bear in mind that after a mother gives birth, the calf she loves with all her heart, as any mother loves her child, is torn away from her within hours—all so people like Mr. Combs can consume dairy that was meant for her infant.

It seems appropriate, therefore, to prevent him—and any other accused sexual offender—from contributing to the exploitation and abuse of any female while he's in prison by serving him only dairy-free meals. And we are pleased to note that your facility already has such meals available. Serving sex offenders only dairy-free meals may also save taxpayers money by decreasing healthcare costs, since vegans have a lower risk of suffering from heart disease, obesity, cancer, diabetes, and many other common health problems than meat-eaters do.

We'd be happy to help in any way we can, including by supplying recipes. Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

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