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## ***“Keeping New York Safe”***

### ***Inmate Throws Urine, Feces on Officer at Elmira Correctional Facility***

#### ***Drugs Recovered in Inmate Package at Wyoming Correctional Facility***

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**Elmira , NY** – In the Southern Tier at Elmira Correctional Facility, an officer had urine and feces thrown at him by an inmate who was in a cell in a Special Housing Unit at the maximum security prison.

On Thursday, June 3, the officer was walking past the cell when an inmate threw urine and feces from a milk carton through his cell hatch, striking the officer in the face and upper body.

The officer was treated for exposure at the facility infirmary and remained on duty.

The inmate, 28, already in a Special Housing Unit on prior disciplinary charges, was removed from the cell and placed in another Special Housing Unit cell.

He faces additional disciplinary charges in the throwing incident.

He is serving a 25 year sentence after being convicted in Erie County in 2020 for Assault 1<sup>st</sup>, Assault 2<sup>nd</sup> and Strangulation 2<sup>nd</sup>.

He was arrested after he tortured his girlfriend and her son over a 10 month period before she reported it to authorities.

On the same day, at Wyoming Correctional Facility, an officer assigned to the package room noticed abnormalities in cans of chicken and discovered four ounces of a green leafy substance and 80 pills after X-raying the cans at the medium security prison.

The officer was processing a package mailed from an address in the Bronx. The package contained eight cans of Bumble Bee chicken. After X-raying the cans, the officer opened them and found 40 white balloons inside. Inside 32 of the balloons, were four ounces of a green leafy substance believed to be marijuana or synthetic marijuana. In the remaining 8 balloons there were 80 multi-colored pills.

The drugs were seized as evidence.

“Correction officers have to endure many difficult situations inside state prisons, including daily assaults. One of the most egregious acts an inmate can commit is the act of throwing urine and feces at a staff member. It is why the act was designated a felony by the State Legislature several years ago. In this particular incident, it was committed by an inmate who was convicted of torturing his girlfriend and her son over a 10 month period. He clearly has no value for other human beings. He should be prosecuted and convicted and have his sentence run consecutively to his current sentence so he hopefully understands that this behavior will not be tolerated.” – said Mark Deburgomaster , Western Region Vice President.