

Subject: reference letter

From: Ross Ulbricht <rossulbricht@gmail.com>

Date: 5/1/2012 5:30 PM

To: Alden S [REDACTED] <aldens[REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Hey Alden,

Ever do a patent search on that dog collar idea? Could be a winner!

I'm applying for a second citizenship to an island nation in the caribbean called Dominica and they need a few non-family character references. There are few people that have known me as long as you have. Would you be willing to one of them for me? All you would need to do is write a half page testifying to my outstanding character, should be easy ;P

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I hope you're doing well, it's been way too long man.

Ross



Subject: character reference

From: Ross Ulbricht <rossulbricht@gmail.com>

Date: 5/1/2012 5:36 PM

To: Mirza S [REDACTED] <m[REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Hey Akbar,

Has your robot taken over SF yet? Still glowing from out doobie hot tub session btw!

So, down to business... I'm applying for a second citizenship to an island nation in the caribbean called Dominica and they need a few non-family character references. Even though we don't spend nearly enough time together, I consider you one of my closest friends. Would you be willing to be a reference for me? All you would need to do is write a half page testifying to my outstanding character, should be easy ;P

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Anyway, let me know if you can do it. I'll need to get an address for you for my form.

Ross

PS - get your turntables?

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From: Ross Ulbricht <rossulbricht@gmail.com>

Date: 5/1/2012 6:29 PM

To: "Rene' P [REDACTED]" <r[REDACTED]@gmail.com>

Hey Rene,

How's SF? Get in touch with Akbar?

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