



## ***Contraband Seized at Great Meadow Correctional Facility***

### ***Powerful Drugs Fentanyl and Synthetic Marijuana Found Inside Canned Goods***

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**Comstock , NY** – An officer processing packages mailed to an inmate discovered Synthetic Marijuana, commonly known as K2, and Fentanyl bundled inside two aluminum cans of corn at the maximum security prison.

The incident occurred on Thursday, October 3, at approximately 9:30 a.m. The officer noticed two cans of Del Monte corn that had been tampered with. The officer opened the cans and found one bundle of a green leafy substance that tested positive for K2 and Marijuana. The second bundle also tested positive for K2. A white pasty substance also was found inside one of the bundles and a test confirmed it was Fentanyl.

Both packages, which were mailed to an incarcerated inmate from an individual in Brooklyn, were seized as evidence.

One officer was taken to Glens Falls Hospital for treatment after he felt the effects of being exposed to the Fentanyl. He was treated and released and returned to duty.

“I would like to commend the officer who was alert and noticed the irregularities in the mailed package. She prevented two very powerful and dangerous drugs from getting into the hands of

inmates inside the facility. We have seen the lethal effects that Fentanyl has had across the country for those who chose to use the hazardous drug. These type of drugs can make inmates extremely violent towards staff and a danger to others. DOCCS needs to change its policy once and for all and institute a Secure Vendor Program that will help stem the amount of contraband getting into our prisons.” – stated John Roberts , NYSCOPBA Northern Region Vice President.