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“Trans” Man Leaves U.S., Fearing Trump; Begs to Return After Being Put in Muslim-heavy Asylum Center

The grass is always meaner on the other side of the fence, could be the moral of this story. A “trans” man flees the United States, claiming he lived in fear with the rise of President Donald Trump. He then travels to Holland, a “tolerant,” recreational-drug-replete, “trans”-friendly land and claims asylum.

So the Dutch honor his request and place him in an asylum center — with Moroccans, Eritreans, Somalis, Algerians, Syrians, and others. The kicker:

In the U.S., he’d lived in the San Francisco Bay Area. The second kicker:

He later said he’d have to leave the Netherlands and return to America because, owing to the danger, his “mental health” was “degrading so substantially.”

Of course, critics may note that his mental health wasn’t faring so well in Frisco, either.

The Western Journal [reported](#) on the story Tuesday:

Meet Jane-Michelle Arc, a 48-year-old San Francisco-based software engineer. He said that he was facing transphobia on the streets of the notoriously intolerant Bay Area when he tried to use women’s bathrooms. He also blamed what he called “a harrowing incident in which [he] feared being run over by a truck” in a profile by the Daily Mail. It was so bad, he told The Guardian, he couldn’t leave the house “unless there was an Uber waiting outside.”

So, he flew to Amsterdam and started begging immigration officials how he could get asylum in the Netherlands, all while crying.

“And they laughed because: what’s this big dumb American doing here asking about asylum? And then they realized I was serious,” he told The Guardian.

The problem? Well, it turns out that even in the ultra-tolerant Netherlands, tolerance is occasionally tempered by sanity.

They have actual asylum camps, including a notorious one called Ter Apel, where refugees from actual crises (including a fair amount of undesirables) are kept.



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The bright side was that Arc didn’t have to endure anyone parading about with American flags and MAGA hats. (It is rumored, too, that this actually happened once in Frisco, about seven years ago.)



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The Bellhop and Room Service Will Not Be Available Today

Why Arc would be placed with “undesirables” was not reported. What was, though, is that he experienced what many call a “teaching moment.” As *The Guardian*, which itself identifies as a newspaper, [informed](#) (while referencing Arc with feminine pronouns):

The customs officer gave her a train ticket to Ter Apel and told to report to the Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND). The first few days were hard, holed up in a 2 metre-square room covered with graffiti and what she feared were body fluids on the walls. In some ways she was lucky to be indoors: at least once in recent years the camp has been so overcrowded that new arrivals have had to sleep in tents outside.

Ter Apel is not a prison, but it looks a little bit like one, surrounded by fences, with guards on every gate. Residents are free to come and go but must be in their rooms each morning for a bed check. After their first few days in the central reception area, asylum seekers are dispersed to different low-rise blocks, where they are given a small food allowance so they can cook their own meals.

Interestingly, Arc isn't a one-off. *The Guardian* tells us that a total of 76 Americans claimed asylum in Holland last year. That number was only nine in 2024. Why, Ter Apel even has what Arc termed a “queer block.”

The center also provides MMA-like entertainment, gratis. As the *Daily Mail* [reports](#):

Ter Apel has been grappling with a surge in violence outside the asylum center, including stabbings and violent brawls....

‘The situation I have in the US as a trans person, not good right, but here, I will be hurt or killed,’ Arc told local outlet Pow News .

... ‘It is too dangerous to walk to the grocery store because of the people that live in the camp, and I’m one of them, I live here,’ Arc told Pow News.

‘You see these guys in yellow vests, they actually wear them because there are so many stabbings,’ she added.

The Red Cross said the aid volunteers feel ‘unsafe’ on the site, adding that the violence ‘cannot be controlled.’

‘Between here and there, there’s a bunch of Moroccans or Bulgarians or whatever that think queer people should be beaten,’ Arc said of the area outside the center.

BS BRIEF: Jane-Michelle Arc, a 48-year-old software engineer from California who sought asylum in the Netherlands after leaving the United States, says he now fears for his safety inside and around the country’s largest asylum reception center, Ter Apel. Dutch authorities have...

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We'll Give You Our Huddled Masses, Yearning for Illusion

Of course, even comedienne and actress Rosie O'Donnell has returned to the U.S. from Ireland, temporarily. Contemplating summer visits with her youngest offspring, a "trans" child, she wanted to ascertain if America was "safe" enough. (You know, "[lions and tigers and bears, oh my!](#)") This said, the alluring illusion of safer, non-American lands has ensnared many.

For example, last year I reported on "African-AmeriKings" — [black Americans who were moving to Africa, citing "heritage."](#) In some cases they were enticed by how far the dollar goes in Third World nations. And how'd they fare? Suffice it to say that not all, well, found their Wakanda.

One black American woman, for instance, distressed about the "racist" United States, moved to Ghana. It was eye-opening. She complained that there are horror-movie-worthy creepy-crawlies of the four- and eight-legged varieties getting into your room at night. Bribery is expected. Poverty is rife, and people try to scam you out of money. Electricity and other services are unreliable. Why, she even griped about the lack of either (it's hard to decipher) SNAP or "snacks." (And looking at her, she might've been snapping up those snacks with SNAP. Video below. Note: language warning.)

Obese woman says she moved to Ghana to escape fictional White racism. Now she is coming back because of the:

"big ass lizards"

"bullshit sand"

"bullshit not having no snacks"

"old malnourished cow" pic.twitter.com/vNMdgSWTvU

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The Price of Propaganda

Joking aside, there is a serious issue here. To introduce it, consider the 2016 case of [Otto Warmbier](#), the 21-year-old American student who allegedly stole a propaganda poster in North Korea and was sentenced to 15 years of hard labor. He was returned to the U.S. in 2017, though — essentially dead.

Then there was American teen [Michael Fay](#), who vandalized numerous cars in Singapore in 1993. The story became big news because he was sentenced to a "caning" (severe corporal punishment). Now, what do these two cases, and the preceding ones, all have in common?

Answer: They point to how many U.S. citizens, propagandized with hate-America-first ideology, are ignorant of the rest of the world. They may take our American civil rights for granted and assume they're universal. They may fancy that our comfortable lifestyle isn't the anomaly it is, but the norm. They then may travel places they otherwise wouldn't (North Korea) and take risks they otherwise wouldn't. After all, such things wouldn't get you killed in the U.S., and other places are if anything better, so...

The truth is that America may not be Heaven on Earth. As [the recent World Cup tourists learned](#), however, it is as close as you'll find. In the U.S., stupidity and moral degradation may get you laughed at — in other places, it can get you killed.



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