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To anyone and everyone,

I find myself writing this letter, not out of anger, or contempt; but out of shame. Ashamed to be part of a society where power and wealth (read: greed), are more important than freedom and life. Where our right to associate and assemble, as *human beings*, and protest what we see as unjust, is outweighed by a *company's* loss of profits. Where free-thinking Americans are regarded as criminals, rather than visionaries. Where huge companies and corporations, with infinite wealth, can oppress the *ideas* of many, in the name of saving their own dying business models. And where the The Law is so blindly, and ruthlessly, used to set an example, rather than serve true justice.

This issue is bigger than me. Bigger than Anonymous. Bigger than the government. This is about all of us – The People of this planet. We shouldn't have to live in a world of fear. Afraid of some terrorist or freedom fighter. Afraid of speaking our minds, for fear of being sued and/or thrown in jail. Afraid of being labeled criminals, for sharing information (read: knowledge) with our fellow man (and woman). Afraid of our own government, that was meant to serve us, taking away our rights due to the actions of others. And constantly looking over our shoulders afraid of that same government using law enforcement officials, that were meant to protect us, as glorified babysitters.

We are not children! We shouldn't rely on our government to tell us how to live our lives. Or allow them to use fear and intimidation, rather than fact and truth; to impose unjust laws. Because, as history has proven, time and time again: They never fix the problem at hand, but only help to create more. Yet we let them continue in that endless cycle, unchecked. We, as a society, need to stand up and start solving these problems on our own. Don't let the *government* determine *our* future!

Just live your life, the way *you* see fit. Stop worrying about the things to come and embrace them - pave your own paths. As long as you're not imposing on another *persons* rights, the government, and us as a society, shouldn't have anything to say about it. And that's the way it should be, in any country that wants to call itself **FREE!**

With much regard,
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