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Dear Ms. Fontanella-Khan,

UK readers of *The Guardian UK* edition get to read fantastic UK cartoonists delightfully savaging UK politics. US readers of *The Guardian US* edition, however, get to read... those same UK cartoonists. Even readers of the Aussie edition get to read Aussie cartoons! We know cartoons are terribly popular features that attract clicks and eyeballs. Why not a US cartoonist for the US edition?

I am a long-time US political cartoonist. You can see samples of my work (and resume) at kirk.co/guardian-us-main. If you think US readers' appetite for political cartoons presents an opportunity for Guardian US, I can provide you with hard-hitting and dynamic material weekly to sate them.

"Okay, Kirk, maybe you've got a point about a US cartoonist for *Guardian US*, but why should that cartoonist be *YOU?*" I avoid telling readers what they already know, preferring to show them issues from an unfamiliar vantage point, in a different context. I like to make readers think, not simply recognize their own biases in picture form. I've been the staff political cartoonist for the St. Paul *Pioneer Press*, and my work appeared regularly in the Minneapolis *Star Tribune*, including as full-page section-front reportorial cartoons and a serialized graphic novel. My cartoons have also been published in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Newsweek*, *Forbes.com*, CBS' *Evening News* and *Sixty Minutes*, *New Internationalist*, and hundreds of other media outlets.

Please let me know of your interest in cartoons for the US edition generally, and in my cartoons in particular. I will follow up with you in a week. Thank you very much!

Sincerely,

Kirk Anderson