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Letter of Application to Father Christmas

December 2020

Dear Father Christmas,

I am writing to apply for the advertised post as a member of your security team. I believe I am highly qualified for this job and am asking you to consider my application favourably.

As cleaner and handyman in the Scrooge and Marley Shopping Centre, I have a great knowledge of the centre’s layout, exits and entrances. This means I would be able to monitor customer’s movements easily. If I continued to wear my handyman clothes, I would easily blend into the background, thus being able to keep a close watch on customers without rousing suspicion.

As an ex-military man, I am very familiar with a variety of personal protection devices. My time in the Far East introduced me to many unusual weapons – I am used to improvising.

I know you have turned me down for jobs in the past – Lead Parcel Wrapper, Chief of Sleigh Maintenance and Master of the Seasonal Wardrobe to name but three. However, I do believe this post is made for me and am sure you will agree.

Please see attached CV for my up-to-date particulars.

Yours sincerely,

Bob Cratchitt