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I think many people who are hard working individuals who love this country are just as baffled as I am about why the government is tampering with our documents that we must send corrections to via mail! If someone wants to be seen as a specific gender in their passport, then so be it. Why then are these people's documents being violated because their documents don't match the gender they were assigned to at birth, even though that assignment happened when they were a baby who couldn't talk? Torn up passports both old and new, shredded social security cards in envelopes, and even birth certificates being clearly slashed with knives?!

It's not the post office's fault because these are what fine folks from the USA are finding INSIDE pristine boxes and envelopes mailed, so it must be coming from within federal agency offices. It is not only a waste of time for the people who wished to file a correction on their passports to file replacements for other documents they may have lost, but it also wastes everyone's money — the citizen AND the department's budget — to allow this back and forth to occur. It breaks the trust between the fantastic federal workers who are responsible for handling these correction day in and day out and the citizens who love living here. Allowing leniency to have folks identify as a gender, regardless of their sex, makes everyone's lives more efficient and ultimately save money for other things far more important in this country.