Edward Snowden Joke

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Informant:  
Tyler McCowan is currently my boyfriend, we met 3 years ago working at Domino’s Pizza, and we have been dating for a year. Tyler was raised in Layton and Kaysville Utah, and now resides in Fruit Heights, Utah. He was raised LDS but is now an Agnostic Atheist. His family is very complicated, and he rebelled a lot in his teenage years. He graduated from David High School. He is 21 years old and works as a press break operator, he spends most of his free time on the internet looking at sites like Reddit and Imgur to find things to laugh at. Tyler enjoys games like Dungeons and Dragons and Magic the Gathering with his friends. In the three years I have known him Tyler is always quick to share random crude jokes with friends and often goes for an hour just telling random jokes to the people he is with off the top of his head. He is always trying to make me and others laugh.

Context:  
Tyler told me this joke in his room in Fruit Heights, casually laying on his bed. When asked if there was anyone he wouldn’t tell this joke to he said no, which I believe is true but I am sure he wouldn’t tell it to someone who had the power to fire him. In have however heard him tell such jokes to his sisters and mother, and if he would tell these jokes to them I am pretty sure he would tell them to almost anybody. Tyler would normally tell this joke hanging around with friends. Tyler first heard this joke on the website Imgur. Some things you would need to know to understand this joke are, that Edward Snowden is an ex CIA operative, who is currently wanted for treason due to him leaking classified data to the public; and that he is allegedly hiding somewhere in Moscow, Russia under the Right of Asylum. Also that it generally snows heavily in Russia, making snowed in a play on Edwards last name of Snowden and a reference to the snow in Russia.

Text:  
Why didn’t the CIA arrest Edward Snowden?  
Well, because he was snowed in.

Texture:  
Tyler told this joke as he normally would, with his normal talking voice and a childish grin. He gave me a lot of time to try to come up with my own answer. The entire time grinning with a childish grin because he knows he is about to see me do a face palm because of how awful the joke is. He always waits to hear an answer before giving the correct one and then watches the people who he is telling the joke to, to see their reactions. Because Tyler’s jokes are normally crude that was what I was expecting, so this one caught me by surprise and I ended up face palming because of how dumb it was. This made him laugh pretty hard. I then asked who Edward Snowden was and he had to explain it all to me which made it even funnier.