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Hello,

We are very disturbed by city officials continuing to willfully and maliciously spread false and defamatory information about us.

In an Inquirer article that was published yesterday Alfred Lubrano claims that there were 2 stabbings at the encampment. Why is the city spreading that lie. The stabbing that occurred down the street did not involve any residents and had nothing to do with the encampment.

The article also states that an outreach worker was hit in the head with a phone. That did not happen. Why is the city making things up?

The city also claims that we keep changing our demands and that the city does not know who they should speak with. We never changed our demands, the city refused to address the first and most important demand of permanent private housing. The city also knows who to communicate with as we have been on one email thread since the encampment was created.

The city claims that they need more affordable housing. Philadelphia is unique in that we have thousands of vacant PHA and city owned homes.

You will not use of cause to beg for more money and more land after years of neglecting good housing stock and allowing it to fall into disrepair.

The city claims it has no authority over PHA but the city does. PHA CEO and board is appointed by and reports to the mayor. PHA is a public body and must cooperate with the city.

We will not allow the city to falsify information to save face. Please clarify these false statements or we will no choice but to take legal action.

I would also like to know why PHA is able to use 25 million dollars to lease a private parking garage from a private developer on land that it seized through eminent domain. I would also like to know why PHA does not have to get zoning approval or community input to build said garage directly across from a block full of modest, well maintained privately owned two story homes.