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Aloha all,

Since we haven't seen or talked in a while, felt I needed to bring you all up to speed on what's been happening with the Department and the Hawaiian Homes Commission over the past year.

Of immediate concern is a move by the Department to disqualify applicants currently on the wait list.

The department has submitted a recommendation to disqualify 13 applicants currently on the waitlist, the oldest being a wahine who signed up in 1968.

The last two years, the Commission has been facing beneficiaries who have been concerned for the health and safety of their family and homes. There has been several instances of drug dealing/trafficking, prostitution, assaults and murders in various communities across the islands in our homestead communities, with no relief from the department.

I also received a call from Al Hee from Sandwich Isles Communication regarding the current approvals and issuance of a right-of-entry to Hawaiian TelCom for the use of their easements. He felt it necessary to communicate with all of you regarding the situation. Coincidentally, the issue is on the special meeting of the Commission scheduled for next week Wednesday under executive session.

Am asking if you all can be available for a zoom meeting Monday evening from 6:00 to 8:00?

Please let me know by end of day today and will set up the zoom for us.

I know we all busy, but I think this stuff is important for you all to know.

Mahalo,

Blossom

*Of all the issues mentioned in this email I am most intrigued with the disqualifications of applicants especially from as far back as 1968 and would like to know more of the extenuating facts, what's motivating this action by DHHL at this late date. This is what is prompting me to go to this meeting seeking more info. Roy Oliveira*