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**Historic black police organization holds significant press conference in the wake of misconduct and discriminatory practices by the City of Miami Police Department's Chief of Police and Senior Staff Members.**

On November 15, 2019, the Miami Community Police Benevolent Association will be holding a press conference to address the necessary termination of the Miami Police Department's Chief of Police, Jorge Colina. The press conference will take place at the Black Police Precinct and Courthouse Museum (480 NW 11th St. Miami, FL 33136) from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm. MCPBA President, Sgt. Stanley Jean-Poix has already notified the City of Miami of the organization's position of "No Confidence" in Chief of Police Jorge Colina and has sited key violations made by Miami PD's senior staff members.

President Jean-Poix, a member of the City of Miami Police Department for over 20 years, will petition Mayor Francis Suarez, City Manager Emilio Gonzalez and the five City Commissioners to investigate the misconduct of Chief Jorge Colina. President Jean-Poix will also seek to have key senior staff members, to include Deputy Police Chief Ronald Papier, disciplined for violations as well. The charges of neglect of duty and failure to protect will be presented to the press. President Jean-Poix will ask for a national search to be conducted for the City of Miami's next police chief.

Members of the media and community leaders are invited to attend the 1-hour press conference. The MCPBA will address all questions and concerns regarding the subject at hand. The MCPBA will also give detailed accounts of discrimination against black officers by the City of Miami in:

1. Field Operations Division
2. Criminal Investigations Division
3. Administration Division
4. Internal Affairs Section (reports directly to the Chief of Police).

The MCPBA was founded in 1946 and is the nation's second-oldest African American police officer organization. The organization is supported by over 300 sworn officers and civilian members (current and retired). The MCPBA is a champion for ethical community policing and employee relations. Throughout the organization's history, it has led the way for equality within the Miami Police Department and the city in which they serve.

To find out more information on this press conference or the Miami Community Police Benevolent Association, visit [www.MCPBA1946.com](http://www.MCPBA1946.com).

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