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IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE **PRESS CONFERENCE**

DENOUCING THE RACIST REMARKS OF CORRECTION DERRICK LASCKO (WHITE MALE)
AGAINST A AFRICAN AMERICAN CORRECTION OFFICER UNION PRESIDENT ELIAS
HUSAMUDEEN BY DEPLICTING THE PICTURE OF THE MURDER OF GEORGE FLOYD
(C.O. LASCKO KNEELING ON MR. HUSAMUDEEN NECK)

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DATE: SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2020

LOCATION: QUEENS SIDE OF RIKERS ISLAND BRIDGE
(HAZEN ST. AND 19TH AVE. EAST ELMHURST, NY)

TIME: 11AM

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For the last 465 years, black people and people of color have fought against racism, racial violence, oppression, and social injustices in America.

The NYC Correction Guardians Association and The Grand Council of Guardians Inc. are outraged by the photograph posted on Facebook by NYC Correction Officer Derrick Lasko, assigned to the NYC Department of Correction Transportation Division. This photograph depicts his face imposed on an image of the accused murderer, Minneapolis Police Officer with his knee on the face of current Correction Officer Benevolent Association Union President, Elias Husamudeen's neck.

The images of the George Floyd incident in Minneapolis have caused great pain and sadness to people worldwide. This photograph is despicable and highly unacceptable. During this challenging time in the City of New York / Nationwide where a desperate need exist for healing and unity, behavior like this can only cause further pain, and delay the healing process.

We are demanding that the City of New York Mayor, Department of Correction Commissioner, and Chief of the Department take immediate action to terminate his employment for his callous and reprehensible public display of racial hatred.

Fraternally Yours,

Vincent Capers

Vincent Capers, President