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Onderwerp: A letter from the sex workers 23-10-20

Dear Everyone,
I have been asked by the sex workers of My Red Light to pass on a letter.
It can be found down below,

Sincerly,
Beeheder on Duty,
[redacted]

Dear stakeholders,

One month ago we had a meeting with [redacted] on behalf of the stakeholders. This meeting was a response to our letters to you asking for help. We were very pleased with this meeting because for the first time since a long time we felt being heard. Thank you for that. [redacted] told us the stakeholders are investigating everything and there would be a final decision after 3 weeks.

Now, one month later, we are still waiting for this decision. In the meanwhile, most of the renters left My Red Light due to the whole situation with [redacted] and the supervisory board. The only thing we got was a very vague message from the supervisory board stating they take everything 'very seriously' and [redacted] has left the supervisory board. They told us two interim board members will be in place till the end of December and that [redacted] will leave the board this week. They were not clear whether [redacted] goes back to the supervisory board and if [redacted] would keep their position.

Monday we had a meeting with the two interim boardmembers. We were shocked and surprised to notice that one of the boardmembers, [redacted] is a very close friend of [redacted] [redacted]. She has absolutely no clue about sexwork or interim management and said she is doing this because [redacted] told her this job is really something for her. She told us she really loves [redacted]. She was even defending [redacted], because in her mind [redacted] managed to keep good contact and relationships with all the stakeholders during this difficult period so the office has good financial arrangements now. She was vague about the matter if [redacted] is totally leaving My Red Light or going back to the supervisory board. In what world are these people living? How can they bring in a close friend of someone we absolutely do not trust and who is ruining all the relationships with the sexworkers? And we aren't even talking about the new manager who no one knows and can't even replace staffmembers when they got sick because she is unable to work a supervisor shift. The office already closed a night because of this and we had to search for other rooms or ways to make money last minute.

Apparently, the supervisory board is not capable of cleaning up their own mess and taking responsibility. [redacted] are leading My Red Light in a devastating way for more than a year. They tried to cover their many failures [redacted]. We are already demanding them to leave since January. Instead of leaving they asked [redacted] to join the supervisory board. [redacted] made everything even worse by not listening, ignoring, lying and manipulating people with even a more arrogant attitude than [redacted]. We want them all ([redacted]) to leave. With adding a

close friend of [redacted] to the interim board, these three persons are running My Red Light like an incestuous family but without caring about the children (the sexworkers and employees) and even neglecting them. They should be ashamed of themselves and take their responsibility by leaving.

Can you please inform us about your decision and please let it not be in line with what the supervisory board wrote us last week. Business is already difficult in these times with a partial lockdown and the mess [redacted] created is making things even worse. We ask you again: please help us because we feel left in the dark right now. Please make sure [redacted] are leaving right away and completely. We still believe in the concept of My Red Light because potentially it is the best and most safe workspace we sexworkers can have in Amsterdam. You are our only hope right now. Please help us.

The sexworkers of My Red Light