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**Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles**

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Dear Mr. Wong,

Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (CPRA) (Cal. Gov't Code Secs. 6250 through 6276.48), Human Rights Watch (HRW) seeks records (both data and documents) pertaining to housing within the city.

Human Rights Watch specifically requests records under the CPRA that are in the HACLA’s possession or control in the following categories:

1. **Data on the number of public housing units.** We seek annual data from the earliest year data is available to the present on the number of public housing units, disaggregated, if possible, by unit size or number of tenants, in the city of Los Angeles. We request this data in a machine-readable flat file (e.g. csv) if possible.
2. **Data on government funding and grants** for housing by source (including from federal, state and county governments), housing program, and year. We request annual funding amounts, disaggregated by funding source and fund type (e.g. capital fund) from the earliest year data is available to the present. Please indicate whether funding dollar amounts are nominal or real (e.g. have been adjusted for inflation). We request this data in a machine-readable flat file (e.g. csv) if possible.
3. **Data on Section 8 vouchers** issued and the number of units rented or people housed using Section 8 vouchers by year. We request annual funding amounts, disaggregated by funding source and fund type (e.g. capital fund) from the earliest year data is available to the present and please indicate whether funding dollar amounts are nominal or real (e.g. have been adjusted for inflation). We request this data in a machine-readable flat file (e.g. csv) if possible.

As provided in the open records law, Sec. 6253(c), I will expect your initial response within ten (10) business days.

If you choose to deny this request, please provide a written explanation for the denial including a reference to the specific statutory exemption(s) upon which you rely. Also, please provide all segregable portions of otherwise exempt material.

Please do have the analyst or data manager call me to discuss any questions they may have.

Thank you and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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