Letter to Firpo Carr About Press Conference

We have heard that the Jackson Family spokesperson, Dr. Firpo Carr, will be holding a press conference March 11 on behalf of the Jackson family regarding a book written about Michael Jackson.

Should this press conference take place, it is being conducted without Michael Jackson's prior knowledge or approval.

Mr. Jackson sent a letter to Dr. Carr, dated February 12, 2004, which states in part, "I am respectfully requesting that you please refrain from discussing me, or participating in any discussions regarding me in the media. It does not matter to me whether it is on behalf of my family, if the subject matter is Michael Jackson, you should refrain from making any statements. He continues, "My family has the right to select anyone they so choose to speak on their behalf, and I am sure that they feel you are an effective and loyal spokesperson, who has articulated very clearly their feelings and concerns. However, these interviews are being conducted without my prior approval, and I want them to stop."