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Metropolitan Area News in Brief

Penn president criticizes trashing of campus paper

University of Pennsylvania president Sheldon Hackney said the individuals responsible for confiscating the student newspaper on Thursday had violated the university's open expression guidelines and would be held accountable for their actions.

A group of black students calling themselves "The Black Community" confiscated most of the Daily Pennsylvanian's 14,000 copies Thursday in protest of what they called "institutional racism" by the newspaper and the university administration. The individuals responsible have not been identified.

Hackney said Friday that the incident reflected deeper racial tensions on the Penn campus, where there are about 700 blacks among 11,000 undergraduate students.