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BY EMAIL

Special Agent [REDACTED]
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Re: Response to Federal Grand Jury Subpoena

Special Agent [REDACTED]:

Through this letter and attachment, Signal Messenger, LLC responds to the October 5, 2021 federal grand jury subpoena seeking responsive information in multiple categories. The American Civil Liberties Union represents Signal for the purposes of responding to the subpoena.

Signal—by design—does not possess almost any of the categories and types of information listed in the order. As Signal explains on its website,¹ the Signal app utilizes state-of-the-art security and end-to-end encryption to provide private messaging, Internet calling, and other services to users worldwide. Users' calls and messages are always encrypted, so they can never be shared or viewed by anyone except a user and their intended recipients. Likewise, Signal does not have access to its users' profiles, group membership or group data, contacts, social graphs, searches, or the like.

The only information Signal maintains that is encompassed by the subpoena for any particular user account, identified through a phone number, is the time of account creation and the date of the account's last connection to Signal servers. That is all.² We have provided the information responsive to the subpoena in Signal's possession in Attachment A.

Please direct any future correspondence regarding this matter to undersigned counsel.

¹ See <https://signal.org/legal>.

² See, e.g., <https://signal.org/bigbrother>.

Sincerely,




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Attachment A

Account	Responsive Information in Signal's Possession
	Last connection date: 1634169600000 (unix millis) Account created: 1606866784432 (unix millis)