STATEMENT OF ACTION BY INDUSTRY TO TACKLE ONLINE CSE: ABU DHABI WEPROTECT SUMMIT 16-17 NOVEMBER 2015

We remain committed to the fight against the abuse of the internet for online child sexual exploitation.

We reaffirm and endorse the Statement of Action made at the London WePROTECT Summit in December 2014, which sets out our commitment to work together, in ways relevant to our different products and services and under established legal processes, to combat the online sexual exploitation of children.

To further this, today we agree to continue our work preventing wider child sexual exploitation and abuse.

Our existing programmes and future plans include specific action to, as appropriate:

- Explore further initiatives to increase the volume of hashes used to detect and remove images of child sexual exploitation and abuse, including through potential global initiatives and partnerships;
- Support mechanisms for public reporting of online child sexual abuse content in regions around the world;
- Continue to support leading NGOs that work to remove child sexual abuse content from the internet;
- Continue to develop new tools and techniques to help industry improve the detection and removal of images and videos of child sexual abuse;
- Deploy expertise and resources to enhance cooperation among industry and organizations dedicated to protecting children from sexual exploitation, with the ultimate aim of identifying and safeguarding victims;
- Support industry's role in the Model National Response as a key part of global capacity building.

In support of this:

- Industry will seek ways to support the Global Fund to End Violence against Children so as to maximize its impact and to support the WePROTECT initiative in delivering a global, coordinated response to these crimes;
- Industry will support and guide the transition, by March 2016, to an Advisory Board responsible to all those who have signed up to WePROTECT. The Board will follow up on commitments made at the London and Abu Dhabi Summits and oversee future development of this initiative in consultation with the relevant stakeholder groups.

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