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An das
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Sehr geehrte Frau Staatssekretärin,

vielen Dank für Ihre Anfrage hinsichtlich der aktuellen Presseberichte über die Arbeit der amerikanischen National Security Agency (NSA). Da diese Berichte an vielen Stellen fehlerhaft sind, danke ich Ihnen für die Gelegenheit, hiermit Stellung zu nehmen.

Facebook nimmt die Privatsphäre seiner Nutzer sehr ernst. Aus diesem Grund hat sich unser CEO Mark Zuckerberg auch umgehend öffentlich zu den Behauptungen geäußert.

Am 7. Juni 2013 erklärte unser Vorstandsvorsitzender, Mark Zuckerberg:

"I want to respond personally to the outrageous press reports about PRISM:

Facebook is not and has never been part of any program to give the US or any other government direct access to our servers. We have never received a blanket request or court order from any government agency asking for information or metadata in bulk, like the one Verizon reportedly received. And if we did, we would fight it aggressively. We hadn't even heard of PRISM before yesterday.

When governments ask Facebook for data, we review each request carefully to make sure they always follow the correct processes and all applicable laws, and then only provide the information if is required by law. We will continue fighting aggressively to keep your information safe and secure.

We strongly encourage all governments to be much more transparent about all programs aimed at keeping the public safe. It's the only way to protect everyone's civil liberties and create the safe and free society we all want over the long term."

Ich hoffe, dass diese deutliche Stellungnahme die drängendsten Fragen zu Facebooks Position und den Unterstellungen hinsichtlich einer Mitwirkung des Unternehmens an dem amerikanischen Regierungsprogramm PRISM beantwortet.

Sie bitten in Ihrem Schreiben um Auskunft zu Anfragen, die möglicherweise von amerikanischen Sicherheitsbehörden an Facebook gestellt wurden. Ich habe diese Fragen an meine Kollegen weitergeleitet, die

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unser weltweites Strafverfolgungsprogramm verantworten. Meine Kollegen haben mich darüber informiert, dass sie mir die gewünschten Informationen jedoch nicht zur Verfügung stellen können, ohne damit amerikanische Gesetze zu verletzen.

Ich bedauere sehr, dass es mir daher nicht möglich ist, diese Punkte detailliert zu beantworten. Das eindeutige Verständnis unserer rechtlichen Verpflichtungen ist es, dass in der jetzigen Situation allein die amerikanische Regierung Ihnen diese Informationen rechtmäßig zur Verfügung stellen kann. Wir möchten Sie daher höflich bitten, Ihre Anfrage direkt an die US-Regierung zu richten.

Der Leiter unserer Rechtsabteilung, Ted Ullyot, hat die US-Regierung im Namen von Facebook bereits zu Folgendem öffentlich aufgerufen:

"As Mark said last week, we strongly encourage all governments to be much more transparent about all programs aimed at keeping the public safe. In the past, we have questioned the value of releasing a transparency report that, because of exactly these types of government restrictions on disclosure, is necessarily incomplete and therefore potentially misleading to users. We would welcome the opportunity to provide a transparency report that allows us to share with those who use Facebook around the world a complete picture of the government requests we receive, and how we respond. We urge the United States government to help make that possible by allowing companies to include information about the size and scope of national security requests we receive, and look forward to publishing a report that includes that information."

Die umfangreichste Erklärung, die wir bislang in diesem Zusammenhang gesehen haben, war die Stellungnahme des Direktors der Nationalen Nachrichtendienste (DNI) (vgl. Anlage). Wenngleich ich davon ausgehe, dass Ihnen diese bekannt ist, lege ich sie meinem Schreiben noch einmal bei. Diese Erklärung hilft sicherlich, einige Aspekte Ihrer Anfrage zu klären, auch wenn sie nicht alle Ihre Fragen beantworten wird.

Wir hoffen, dass die amerikanische Regierung nun tätig wird und entweder selbst umfangreicher Auskunft gibt oder aber den Unternehmen künftig erlaubt, mehr Informationen zur Verfügung zu stellen, ohne gesetzlich dafür belangt zu werden.

Ich gehe davon aus, dass die Bundesregierung in engem Austausch mit den US-amerikanischen Kollegen steht, wenn es darum geht, wie man die Sicherheit der Bürger und den Schutz ihrer Privatsphäre bestmöglich in Einklang bringen kann. Wir freuen uns, die Ergebnisse dieses Austauschs zu gegebener Zeit zu erfahren.

Sollten Sie weitere Fragen haben, so lassen Sie es mich bitte wissen.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

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Director Public Policy



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DNI Statement on the Collection of Intelligence Pursuant to Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act

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Over the last week we have seen reckless disclosures of intelligence community measures used to keep Americans safe. In a rush to publish, media outlets have not given the full context—including the extent to which these programs are overseen by all three branches of government—to these effective tools.

In particular, the surveillance activities published in The Guardian and The Washington Post are lawful and conducted under authorities widely known and discussed, and fully debated and authorized by Congress. Their purpose is to obtain foreign intelligence information, including information necessary to thwart terrorist and cyber attacks against the United States and its allies.

Our ability to discuss these activities is limited by our need to protect intelligence sources and methods. Disclosing information about the specific methods the government uses to collect communications can obviously give our enemies a “playbook” of how to avoid detection. Nonetheless, Section 702 has proven vital to keeping the nation and our allies safe. It continues to be one of our most important tools for the protection of the nation’s security.

However, there are significant misimpressions that have resulted from the recent articles. Not all the inaccuracies can be corrected without further revealing classified information. I have, however, declassified for release the attached details about the recent unauthorized disclosures in hope that it will help dispel some of the myths and add necessary context to what has been published.

James R. Clapper, Director of National Intelligence



Mark Zuckerberg (3,318,264 Abonnenten)

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