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Mr. Pichai:

We write to you regarding your testimony before the Energy and Commerce Committee at the hearing entitled “Disinformation Nation: Social Media’s Role in Promoting Extremism and Misinformation” on March 25, 2021. At the hearing, you were asked about any internal research or studies Google has conducted on the mental health of children. We are interested in any documents and related information regarding any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect its products, including YouTube, have on children’s mental health. Accordingly, please respond to the following no later than April 16, 2021:

1. Please produce complete copies of the following:
 - a. Any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect Google’s products have on children’s mental health.
 - b. Any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect Google’s products have on children’s mental health for ages under 13.
 - c. Any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect Google’s products have on children’s mental health for ages 13 to 18.
 - d. Any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect Google’s products have on users’ mental health for ages 18 and older.
 - e. Any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect YouTube Kids has on children’s mental health.

- f. Any internal research or study Google has conducted on the effect Google's products have on the health and well-being of children, including risks of child exploitation and trafficking.
 - g. Any internal communications, including memorandums, emails, or other internal communications among Google employees, including outside contractors (e.g., content moderators) related to the effect of Google's products on children's mental health for ages under 13.
 - h. Any internal communications, including memorandums, emails, or other internal communications among Google employees, including outside contractors (e.g., content moderators) related to the effect of Google's products on children's mental health for ages 13 to 18.
 - i. Any internal communications, including memorandums, emails, or other internal communications among Google employees, including outside contractors (e.g., content moderators) related to the effect of Google's products on users' mental health for ages 18 and older.
 - j. Any internal communications, including memorandums, emails, or other internal communications among Google employees, including outside contractors (e.g., content moderators) related to the effect of YouTube Kids on children's mental health.
2. Please identify any outside entity Google has contracted with, is in the process of contracting with, or has plans to contract with to conduct research or produce studies on the effect Google's products have on users' mental health for each age range delineated above.
 3. Please produce complete copies of any research or study conducted by outside entities on behalf of Google regarding the effect of Google's products on users' mental health for each age range delineated above.
 4. Please provide any research or study Google has conducted on the impact competitors' products have on children's mental health for ages 13 and under.
 5. Please provide any research or studies Google has conducted on the impact competitors' products have on children's mental health for ages 13 to 18.

If you have any questions, please contact Bijan (BJ) Koohmaraie, Tim Kurth, and Kate O'Connor at (202) 225-3641. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Thank you,



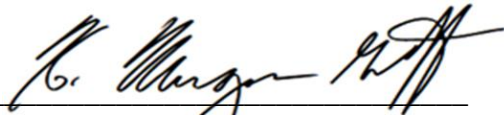
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