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The Honorable Elizabeth Warren 311 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Ron Wyden 221 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Peter Welch 115 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Bernie Sanders 332 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senators Warren, Wyden, Welch, and Sanders:

Thank you for your letter dated August 7, 2025 inquiring about the potential settlement of President Trump's 2021 lawsuit against YouTube and related issues. We take our responsibility to comply with the law very seriously, and we welcome the opportunity to provide more information about our policies and practices in this regard.

Code of Conduct and Related Policies

One of the ways in which we put Google's values into practice is through the Google Code of Conduct. Chapter VII of the Code of Conduct, in particular, highlights the Company's commitment to comply with both U.S. and non-U.S. laws and regulations and to ensure that employees understand the major laws and regulations applicable to their work. As set forth in Section 4, "[th]e rule for us at Google is simple – don't bribe anybody, anytime, for any reason." Section 6 contains detailed instructions, and sets forth clear prohibitions, governing employee interactions with government officials. Among other restrictions, employees are explicitly prohibited from "offering or giving anything of value to government officials to influence official action or to secure an improper advantage." They are also directed to consult, and abide by the restrictions in, Google's Anti-Bribery & Government Ethics Policy.



Our policies make clear that failure to comply may result in civil and criminal penalties for both Google and the individuals involved and can be grounds for disciplinary action—up to and including termination of employment or other working arrangement with the Company. Furthermore, Google has a specific policy prohibiting retaliation against any worker who reports, or participates in an investigation of, a possible violation of our anti-bribery and government ethics requirements.

Pending Litigation and Related Discussions

With respect to the case *Donald Trump et al v. YouTube, LLC et al* pending before the District Court for the Northern District of California, the Initial Case Management Conference is currently scheduled for October 6, 2025. The Court has asked the parties to "provide the Court with a substantive plan to resolve this 2021 case" by this time. As is standard practice, and as we informed the Court in May, we have been engaged in discussions with opposing parties in anticipation of this conference. While discussions of this nature are confidential, there has been no discussion tying any potential settlement of the case to any official action or to any pending or potential future matters involving Alphabet or any of its affiliates, and there will be no such discussions.

Thank you, again, for the opportunity to respond to your inquiry. We appreciate your interest and can assure you that Google takes its responsibilities seriously, understands its obligations under the law, and puts its values into practice with comprehensive employee training and policies.

Sincerely,

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