

Please attribute to NSO Group:

“We would note that the meeting cited by Ms. Perlroth happened five years ago, under an entirely different management structure, and with the involvement of investors who are no longer associated with us. As such, we are not in a position to comment on that exchange.

“NSO has made clear many times since then that our software includes a ‘kill switch’ that can shut down the system. This has been used on the occasions in which serious misuse of our products has been verified. NSO Group is fully regulated, and has now taken the undisputed lead amongst our industry peers in the protection of and respect for human rights. We have created stringent policies to help ensure that our technology is used only as designed – to investigate serious crime and terrorism – and we comprehensively investigate every credible allegation of misuse that is brought to us.

“While our regular detractors rely on unverified claims and their own conclusions, NSO’s technology helps governments save lives in a manner that minimizes threats to the privacy of innocent individuals, to include those who are not directly related to a pending government investigation. We do this while providing a lawful solution that fully addresses the use of advanced, off-the-shelf encryption for nefarious ends.

“And, we are waiting to hear what solution, beyond allowing terrorists and criminals to act with impunity, groups like CitizenLab would suggest to alleviate some of the most grave security challenges of the modern world.”

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