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AN OPEN LETTER TO PAYPAL EXECUTIVES REGARDING ACTIONS TO DEPLATFORM CONSERVATIVE VOICES

For the Esteemed Employees of PayPal,

I wanted to let you know that I absolutely loved PayPal as a company. In fact, I saw you as a champion for those who were struggling in society, that could not obtain normal credit cards, or easily open a bank account for that matter. PayPal has been a critical resource for hundreds of millions of people around the world, and existed as another shining example of American innovation to push the boundaries for economic empowerment.

It is why PayPal's recent decisions have been so horrifying to directly observe and witness, as you have taken unthinkable actions that are far beyond any past precedent I've seen for abuse of power and overreach by a de facto monopoly. It would appear that in a direct effort to silence conservative voices, PayPal has terminated our payment services - just two weeks before a Presidential election. While the concept of technology firms targeting conservative-owned companies to deplatform, demonetize, and deindex users is not unknown to us, the degree of tyranny and oppression that this particular action represents cannot go unaddressed by the American people. The fact that PayPal would initiate these steps at the exact time major technology firms are being exposed for censorship and being called to Congress is beyond rational thinking. It is like key executives are going out of their way to subject your company to the type of scrutiny that changes organizations forever.

Over the weekend, PayPal made the shocking choice to deplatform our ICANN-accredited domain registrar Epik from using your services in the future. Epik is one of the fastest growing domain companies in the world, and has invested heavily in technology resiliency and supply chain integration. We were literally recognized as the "Best Registrar of 2020" by more than 900 technology leaders and industry peers, beating even GoDaddy by nearly double the votes. With more than 100,000 customers and approximately two million domain names under management, many of our clients also represent leading conservative voices, who together can achieve and influence hundreds of millions of unique visitors each and every month. In the wake of damning evidence about Hunter Biden that threatens to expose elements of the DNC for being overtly anti-American, PayPal has now seemingly moved into an aggressive phase of delivering brutal consequences for those who stand for truth.

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The process that PayPal took to terminate services to Epik simply defies logic. This was after eleven years of continuous service, with no significant history of charge backs or administrative issues. They did so with no discussion, no recourse for review, and no reason given. PayPal have since refused to return emails, and any phone call placed to their organization simply receives an automated message that “we can’t support your inquiry over the phone”. This is after Dan Schulman’s office literally intervened in June to reverse an earlier attempt to suspend services, after the discovery that a shared executive and board member between both PayPal and GoDaddy may have influenced negative decisions for anti-competitive reasons. Furthermore, a contact this month from Bloomberg, would lead us to believe that PayPal may now even be sharing confidential information regarding our clients in an effort to target them.

This is far past acceptable behavior from a company that should be rooted in the deepest appreciation for the incredible privilege – and responsibility – that PayPal has in maintaining itself with the utmost sense of dignity and the highest levels of integrity. Your platform should not ever be able to be operated in such a targeted, biased, and subversive manner. The consequences and magnitude of your very actions could literally serve to reduce the amount of freedom we all experience in the future, as this level of coordinated abuse would warrant a level of checks and balances and adaptive oversight that carries its own terrible cost through implementation. America has so much to be thankful for, that it is grossly disturbing to see PayPal present the belief that it is beyond any sense of accountability or justification for its dishonorable actions.

It is my hope that you may join others within your organization, that can take a stand against this degree of unwarranted abuse of lawful civil liberty. Plus America is frankly tired of watching wealthy elitists brand patriotic citizens as racists and white nationalists, simply so they can hide the criminal activities of their friends and special interests. I have attached related correspondence addressed to Dan Schulman, along with detailed notations to Bloomberg’s BusinessWeek, addressing the heavy false narrative creation with which Epik has been targeted. It may provide a unique look at the severity of bias within Big Tech, and some of the motivations that the bad actors hold while working to the detriment of our great country.

It is my hope that these issues can be quickly resolved.

Respectfully yours,

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