

# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON  
HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6250

March 19, 2025

The Honorable Pamela Bondi  
Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW  
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Attorney General Bondi:

I write to request information related to the Cloud Act Agreement. Recent reports suggest that authorities in the United Kingdom (UK) have issued an order to a U.S. company requiring access to all end-to-end encrypted materials of UK users. This action raises significant questions about the integrity of U.S. user data in the context of the Cloud Act and UK statutes. It is also the latest concerning attempt by law enforcement agencies and other government entities to obtaining ‘backdoor’ access to private user content under the pretext of national security.

For this reason, please provide the Committee with the following information no later than 5:00PM on April 2, 2025:

1. Unredacted copies of any “technical capabilities notice” (TCN) in the Department’s possession issued to a U.S. company by the UK since August 1, 2024.
2. Unredacted copies of all records related to any TCN issued to a U.S company by the UK since August 1, 2024 including, but not limited to, communications between Department employees and representatives of the UK.
3. Unredacted copies of all records related to the renewal of the US-UK Cloud Act Agreement in November 2024 including, but not limited to, communications between Department employees and representatives of the UK.
4. Unredacted copies of all records related to any confidentiality agreements or nondisclosure requirements applicable to a U.S. company as it relates to actions authorized pursuant to the US-UK Cloud Act agreement including, but not limited to, TCNs.
5. Unredacted copy of the US-UK Data Access Agreement pursuant to the Cloud Act including any addendums and/or amendments.
6. Unredacted copies of all records since August 1, 2024 related to the UK Investigatory Powers Act of 2016 including, but not limited to, communications within the Department and communications between Department employees and representatives of the UK.

The Committee is authorized to conduct oversight of the efficiency and economy of operations of all branches and functions of the Government.<sup>1</sup>

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rand Paul". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rand Paul, M.D  
Chairman  
U.S. Senate Homeland Security  
& Governmental Affairs Committee

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<sup>1</sup> S.Res. 94 (119<sup>th</sup>); S. Rule XXV(k)(2)