

U.S. Department of Justice

National Security Division

Foreign Investment Review Section

Washington, D.C. 20530

November 18, 2024

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Re: Request for Comment Deadline Extension (Docket No. DOJ-NSD-2024-0004-0008)

Dear Consumer Technology Association, et al.,

The National Security Division (NSD) of the Department of Justice has received your November 8, 2024 letter requesting that the Department extend the 30-day public comment period for the October 29, 2024 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking entitled "Provisions Pertaining to Preventing Access to U.S. Sensitive Personal Data and Government-Related Data by Countries of Concern or Covered Persons." Comment Docket No. DOJ-NSD-2024-0004-0008, available at www.regulations.gov/comment/DOJ-NSD-0004-0008; 89 FR 86116 (Oct. 29, 2024).

NSD has carefully considered your request to extend the comment period. While NSD values commenters' input as part of the rulemaking process, NSD does not anticipate extending the comment period for reasons that will be explained in further detail in the final rule, including the urgent need to mitigate the national security risk associated with country of concern access to Americans' bulk sensitive personal data and government-related data. NSD also notes that, during the comment period, it has provided stakeholders with ample opportunities to engage with NSD, ask questions, and provide input on the NPRM. NSD encourages any person who wishes to comment on the proposed rule to do so on or before the close of the comment period on November 29, 2024.

Sincerely,

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