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Mr. Tim Cook
Chief Executive Officer, Apple Inc.
1 Infinite Loop
Cupertino, CA 95014

Dear Mr. Cook:

We have received and reviewed the reply of Apple Inc., to our February 15, 2012, letter requesting information about your company's app developer policies and practices to protect the privacy and security of your mobile device users' information. We thank you for responding to our letter.

The March 2 reply we received from Apple does not answer a number of the questions we raised about the company's efforts to protect the privacy and security of its mobile device users. In addition, subsequent to our letter, concerns have been raised about the manner in which apps can access photographs on your mobile devices and tools provided by Apple to consumers to prevent unwanted online tracking.¹ To help us understand these issues, we request that you make available representatives to brief our staff on the Energy and Commerce Committee.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Felipe Mendoza with the Energy and Commerce Committee staff at 202-226-3400.

Sincerely,


Henry A. Waxman
Ranking Member


G.K. Butterfield
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Commerce,
Manufacturing, and Trade

¹ See, e.g., Nick Bilton, *Apple Loophole Gives Developers Access to Photos*, The New York Times (Feb. 28, 2012) (available at www.bits.blogs.nytimes.com/2012/02/28/tk-ios-gives-developers-access-to-photos-videos-location/) and Julia Angwin and Jennifer Valentino-Devries, *Google's iPhone Tracking*, The Wall Street Journal (Feb. 17, 2012).