



Telegram

Locations: United Arab Emirates (HQ)

Industries: Data Security, Telecommunication Services

RISK LEVEL:



Lower Risk

DESCRIPTION:

Telegram is an instant messaging service with some end-to-end encryption services. The platform has canceled some political chat channels due to potential violence, though this seems to be a universal enforcement of site policy rather than a partisan decision. This censorship was not inherently political in nature. Telegram does not use its corporate funds to donate to ideological organizations. For these reasons, Telegram receives a Lower Risk rating.

Corporate Weaponization

Has denied service to customers, suppliers, or vendors due to their political views or religious beliefs OR corporately boycotts, divests, or sanctions regions, people groups, or industries. Lower Risk

Telegram has deleted some chat channels on its platforms due to concerns of violence and obvious falsehoods (1)(2). These did not appear to be political in nature. The CEO has promised not to discriminate against users (3).

Charitable giving (including employee matching programs) policies or practices discriminate against charitable organizations based on views or religious beliefs. N/A

Telegram does not publish charitable giving guidelines.

Employment policies fail to protect against discrimination based on political affiliation/views and/or religion. High Risk

Telegram does not publish a nondiscrimination policy.

Corporate Governance and Public Policy

Uses corporate reputation to support ideological causes and/or organizations hostile to freedom of expression. Lower Risk

Telegram has not supported ideological causes or policies (1). It does promote and support free speech; therefore, Telegram has supported dissenting movements seeking to gain footing after government or corporate censorship (2). It has received criticism for supporting free speech.

Uses corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies hostile to freedom of expression. Lower Risk

Telegram has not used corporate funds to advance ideological causes, organizations, or policies.

Uses corporate political contributions for ideological, non-business purposes.

N/A

Dubai-based Telegram has not used its political contributions for ideological purposes.

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