

# IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL

BETWEEN:

#### **ELIZABETH HELEN COLL**

Class Representative

Case No: 1408/7/7/21

- v -

(1) ALPHABET INC.
(2) GOOGLE LLC
(3) GOOGLE IRELAND LIMITED
(4) GOOGLE COMMERCE LIMITED
(5) GOOGLE PAYMENT LIMITED

**Defendants** 

(together "Google")

and

#### THE COMPETITION AND MARKETS AUTHORITY

<u>Intervener</u>

(the "Coll Proceedings")

Case No: 1378/5/7/20

AND BETWEEN:

(1) EPIC GAMES, INC.

(2) EPIC GAMES ENTERTAINMENT INTERNATIONAL GMBH

Claimants (together, Epic)

and

#### (1) ALPHABET INC.

#### (2) GOOGLE LLC

## (3) GOOGLE IRELAND LIMITED

#### (4) GOOGLE COMMERCE LIMITED

#### (5) GOOGLE PAYMENT LIMITED

Defendants

and

#### THE COMPETITION AND MARKETS AUTHORITY

<u>Intervener</u>

(the "Epic Proceedings")

#### **ORDER**

**UPON** the Order of the Tribunal drawn and made on 16 December 2022 establishing the trial timetable in the Coll Proceedings ("**Trial Timetable Order**")

**AND UPON** the Orders of the Tribunal drawn and made in the Coll Proceedings on 15 September 2023, 20 December 2023 and 18 January 2024 amending the Trial Timetable Order in part

**AND UPON** the Order of the Tribunal made in the Coll and Epic Proceedings on 15 May 2024

**AND UPON** the parties' joint letter to the Tribunal dated 17 May 2024

**AND HAVING REGARD TO** the Tribunal's powers under the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2015

#### BY CONSENT IT IS ORDERED THAT:

### Timetable to trial

- 1. The Tribunal's Order of 18 January 2024 is varied as follows:
  - 1.1. Paragraph 2: "By 4pm on 21 June 2024, the parties shall serve signed statements

- of witnesses of fact".
- 1.2. Paragraph 3: "By **4pm on 26 July 2024**, the parties shall serve signed reply statements of witnesses of fact, and hearsay notices where required by CPR r 33.2."
- 2. The Tribunal's Order of 20 December 2023 is varied as follows:
  - 2.1. Paragraph 13.3: "By **4pm on 25 September 2024**, the Class Representative shall serve her signed expert report(s)."
  - 2.2. Paragraph 13:4: "By **4pm on 14 February 2025**, the Defendants shall serve their signed expert report(s)."
  - 2.3. Paragraph 13.5: "By **4pm on 11 April 2025**, the Class Representative, if so advised, shall serve her signed reply expert report(s)."
  - 2.4. Paragraph 13.6: "By **16 May 2025**, the parties' experts in each respective field shall meet on a without prejudice basis to discuss their respective report(s), and produce a joint statement on matters agreed and not agreed."
  - 2.5. Paragraph 13.7: "The CMA shall file and serve its written observations pursuant to Rule 50(2) of the Tribunal Rules by **4pm on 6 June 2025**."
  - 2.6. Paragraph 13.8: "If so advised, the parties shall file and serve their respective written observations on the CMA's written observations by 4pm on 27 June 2025."
  - 2.7. Paragraph 13.9: "If so advised, the CMA shall file and serve written observations in reply by 4pm on 11 July 2025."
- 3. The Tribunal's Order dated 15 May 2024 is varied as follows:
  - 3.1. Paragraph 13: "Google shall serve witness evidence of fact in the Coll Proceedings and its witness evidence in reply in the Epic Proceedings jointly by 4pm on 21 June 2024."
  - 3.2. Paragraph 14: "Epic shall serve its factual witness evidence in reply in the Epic Proceedings by 4pm on 21 June 2024."

3.3. Paragraph 15(a): "the parties shall file and exchange hearsay notices where required by CPR 33.2 by 4pm on 1 October 2024".

## Costs

4. Costs in the case

# Liberty to apply

5. There be liberty to apply.

**Bridget Lucas KC** 

Chair of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 22 May 2024

Drawn: 22 May 2024