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IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Salisbury Square House 8 Salisbury Square London EC4Y 8AP

Tuesday 21st January 2025

Case No: 1403/7/7/21

Before: Ben Tidswell Dr William Bishop Tim Frazer

(Sitting as a Tribunal in England and Wales)

BETWEEN:

Dr. Rachael Kent

Class Representative

V

Apple Inc. and Apple Distribution International Ltd

Defendants

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1	Tuesday, 21 January 2025
2	(10.30 am)
3	MR HOSKINS: Sir, I have to report to you we are not going
4	to make the application, so we will make the amendment
5	you've allowed which means we will say Magill does not
6	apply to both sides of the pleaded
7	THE CHAIRMAN: But you are not going to amend to seek to
8	satisfy the conditions. That is helpful. Thank you for
9	that. That does mean we do not have to find any time
10	MR HOSKINS: It has that benefit as well, sir, yes.
11	THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Good morning, Mr Schiller.
12	THE WITNESS: Good morning.
13	MR PHILIP SCHILLER (continued)
14	Cross-examination by MR WARD
15	MR WARD: Good morning, Mr Schiller. I am Tim Ward and I am
16	going to be questioning you today. What you should have
17	in front of you is a slim black file which contains your
18	witness statement, and other files, white files in the
19	box but the black file enables you to keep your witness
20	statement open even if we go back and forth a little
21	bit.
22	Now, just to summarise your relevant career from
23	your witness statement, you were Senior Vice President
24	of Worldwide Product Marketing responsible for the
25	development and operations of the App Store, were you

- 1 not, before becoming Apple Fellow?
- 2 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 3 Q. In Australia, in your Australian evidence, you explained
- 4 that as Head of Development and Operations of the
- 5 App Store, you reported directly to Steve Jobs and
- 6 Tim Cook?
- 7 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 8 Q. You were also a member of the executive team, a key
- 9 decision-making body?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. You confirmed in Australia that it was the executive
- 12 team that had oversight and management of the
- introduction of the iPhone; is that right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Now, as Apple Fellow, you still remain responsible for
- the App Store?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. So you were involved in really the key decisions made on
- the App Store right from the outset?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. It was, as we know, launched in 2007 and the App Store
- was launched in 2008.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. So we are now going back -- it is now 2015, getting on
- for 20 years ago, are we not?

- 1 A. Yes, we are.
- 2 Q. You explained in Australia that there were no notes
- 3 taken of the decisions taken by the executive team; is
- 4 that not right?
- 5 A. That is true.
- Q. If we could please just turn up in your tab 2 page 34,
- 7 this is $\{G2/18/34\}$. I just want to look at what was
- 8 said. Thank you. You will see at line 9 -- these are
- 9 the questions and your answers:
- 10 "When the executive team met -- comprised, as
- 11 you've ... described with people from many areas ..."
- So sorry, Mr Schiller, I am running ahead. Thank
- you. Are you there? Page 34. When I give you
- 14 page numbers, it is always going to be the ones in the
- 15 bottom right corner rather than any internal numbering
- 16 because that matches the electronic system.
- 17 A. Okay.
- Q. Hopefully that will make everything easier for
- 19 everywhere.
- 20 A. Yes, thank you.
- 21 Q. This is the question:
- "When the executive team met -- comprised, as you've
- 23 generally described -- with people from many areas of
- 24 the business -- as they considered each issue, were they
- 25 presented with documents explaining what matter was

- being brought forward for their consideration?"

 The answer was "No".
- 3 "Were slides presented to them so that they could
- 4 view them as the issue was raised? No.
- 5 "Were their decisions recorded in any document in the nature of minutes? No."
- We have seen you have not exhibited any such
 decision materials because there were none; is that
 right?
- 10 A. That is correct.
- 11 Q. Then you explain what happened at line 40 and you say:

12 "When Mr Jobs came back in 1997 and he set this process up then in 1997, in one of the earliest meetings 13 14 someone was taking notes, writing down what he was 15 saying about what we were doing and he stopped and said, 'Why are you writing this down? You should be smart 16 17 enough to remember this. If you're not smart enough to 18 remember this, you shouldn't be in this meeting [at 19 all]' and we all stopped taking notes, and learnt to

You have also explained that this practice survived into the era of Mr Cook and up to the present day; is that right?

24 A. That is true.

just listen ..."

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25 Q. Obviously, as you know, the App Store has been under

- scrutiny by regulators and courts now for quite a few
- 2 years, has it not?
- 3 A. For a few years, yes.
- 4 Q. So the European Commission's Spotify investigation,
- 5 opened in 2015, and they first sent Apple information
- 6 requests in 2019. Are you aware of that?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. The US House Judiciary Committee investigation into
- 9 digital markets began in June 2019. You recall that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. There are various others, including class actions like
- 12 this one and other regulatory actions, are there not?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Would you not be in a better position now to justify and
- 15 explain your actions if there had been records taken?
- 16 A. I do not know if that is true or not. It is not the
- normal practice in our industry to document and
- 18 transcribe meetings that -- it is just unusual to occur.
- 19 Q. When the regulator started taking an interest many years
- ago, you did not reconsider the position and think we
- 21 had better make a proper written record?
- 22 A. I would not say that is the case either. I believe
- there's been a lot more support in the organisation for
- 24 providing background and information to requests from
- 25 regulators and courts in the form of what are called

- 1 RFIs, Requests For Information, and other kinds of
- 2 documentation.
- 3 Q. For the purposes of your witness statement, we are
- 4 relying on really your recollection of the decisions
- 5 that were taken, are we not?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Starting with something that is, I think,
- 8 uncontroversial: Apple is a publicly traded company, is
- 9 it not?
- 10 A. Yes, we are.
- 11 Q. It was back in 2007 when the iPhone was launched?
- 12 A. Yes.
- Q. Again, stating the obvious, as a publicly traded
- 14 company, one of its goals was to make profits for
- 15 shareholders?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Indeed, it does not exist for the benefit of, say,
- developers?
- 19 A. Well, it can be both.
- Q. It can be both, but one of its goals at least is profits
- 21 for its shareholders?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Let us look about what you say in your witness statement
- 24 about benefits to others. Can we go, please, to -- this
- is $\{B2/5/39\}$ but it is in your black folder. If we go

- 1 to page 39 -- tell me when you have it.
- 2 A. I am on that page .
- 3 Q. Thank you. You will see at the top of the page:
- 4 "IAP Benefits to developers.
- 5 "142. IAP provides a number of benefits to
- 6 developers."
- 7 Then you list several benefits.
- 8 Then at page 51, if we could turn to that, please.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. There is a heading there above 181, "Benefits to
- 11 developers", and then you go on to explain how the
- 12 various monetisation models benefit developers. So
- sorry, I have got these out of order but for no
- 14 particular reason. If we now go back, please, to
- page 19, this is paragraph 66, you say:
- "In my role as a key decision-maker in the design
- 17 and development of the App Store as Senior Vice
- President of Worldwide Product Marketing, I, and other
- 19 key decision-makers, discussed and decided the App Store
- 20 would be developed with two goals in mind ..."
- 21 We will come to those in detail later.
- 22 "First, the App Store would be a safe and trusted
- place for iPhone users ...
- 24 "Second, Apple considered that the App Store would
- 25 be a great ... opportunity for ... developers."

- I want to look now at what was said at the time and
- 2 we can start actually within your witness statement,
- 3 please, at page 50.
- A. I am sorry, did you say -- oh, page 50?
- 5 Q. Page 50, thank you.
- 6 You say:
- 7 "We designed the free model [we will come to the
- free model later] to encourage use of as many apps as
- 9 possible by iPhone users to the benefit of Apple,
- 10 developers, and consumers. As Steve Jobs outlined ... at
- 11 [the] Launch, 'when a developer wants to distribute
- 12 their app for free there is no charge for free apps at
- 13 all. There's no charge to the user and there's no charge
- 14 to the developer. We are going to pay for everything to
- get those apps out there for free. The developer and us
- have the same exact interest which is to get as many
- apps out in front of as many iPhone users as possible'."
- I think that "exact same interest" means selling
- more devices, does it not?
- 20 A. That would be a benefit of that.
- 21 Q. The idea here is to make the devices more appealing
- 22 through the apps on the App Store and sell more of them,
- sell more devices?
- A. Hopefully, yes.
- 25 Q. Can we turn to tab 20 in your file, volume A3, and this

- 1 is $\{D1/572/1\}$. This is an interview with Steve Jobs
- 2 from 2008, which Mr Hoskins showed you part of
- 3 yesterday -- I am sorry, we have the wrong --
- 4 {D1/572/1}?
- 5 A. You said tab 3?
- 6 Q. I said tab 20.
- 7 A. Tab 20, I am sorry.
- 8 Q. Two references at once, what could possibly go wrong?
- 9 Let me know when you are there, Mr Schiller.
- 10 A. Yes, I am on tab 20.
- 11 Q. You will recall Mr Hoskins showing you this yesterday
- and this was something unearthed in 2018 by something
- called The Information, The Information and the Wall
- 14 Street Journal, and it is an interview with Mr Jobs from
- 15 2008, so much earlier. Mr Hoskins showed you part of it
- 16 yesterday but I want to show you some other parts of it.
- Can we turn, please, to page 6. That is {D1/572/6}
- in the bottom right-hand corner. Do you have that?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. It is a Q&A with Mr Jobs and it says in the middle of
- 21 the page, just below the hole punch:
- "OK. The 70-30 split, are the economics of this
- 23 working out the way that you had said when we last
- 24 spoke, which is that you might make some money, but you
- do not expect it to be a big source of profits?

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                 "Yeah. It's just like iTunes.
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                 Even with the huge popularity of this ..."
                 Noting this is 2008, just getting started, he says:
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                 "It costs money to run it. Those free apps cost
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             money to store and to deliver wirelessly. The paid apps
             cost money too. They have to pay for some of the free
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             apps. We don't expect this to be a big profit generator.
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             We expect it to add value to the iPhone. We'll sell more
 9
             iPhones because of it."
                 And that is your understanding too, is it not?
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         Α.
            Yes.
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             Then over the page, please, on page 7 {D1/572/7} we will
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             see, if we go just about the second hole punch where it
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             says:
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                  "[This] has exceeded your forecast?"
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                 He says:
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                  "Remember, we're on a ramp. There is going to be
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             even a lot more iPhones out there in the future and
             a lot more iPod touches."
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                 Just pausing there, iPod touches ran iOS and the
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             App Store, did they not?
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            Yes, they did.
         Α.
             "We're already at a $360 million a year run rate.
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         Q.
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             thing is going to crest to half a billion soon.
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"Who knows? Maybe it'll be a billion dollar

- 1 marketplace at some time ..."
- 2 We will see later that is something of
- 3 an understatement in fact.
- If we then turn to page 18, please, {D1/572/18} in
- 5 the middle of the page between the hole punches it
- 6 says -- Mr Wingfield says:
- 7 "Can you tell me what percentage of them were free
- 8 versus paid?"
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Thank you. Mr Jobs says:
- "I don't not know off the top of my head, but the
- majority, clearly, which is great. Our purpose in the
- 14 App Store is to add value to the iPhone. Free apps do
- that just as well as paid apps sometimes. We love free
- apps."
- So would you agree that what Mr Jobs is making clear
- is that what is in it for Apple is selling more devices,
- that is the business model?
- 20 A. That is not the only business model, but that was the
- 21 main motivation in creating the App Store as a feature
- of the iPhone.
- 23 Q. Thank you. That still remains the case, does it not,
- 24 that that is a key benefit of the App Store?
- 25 A. That is a benefit. There are other benefits as well.

- Q. Would you agree that the App Store is a very important feature of iPhones that attracts users?
- 3 A. Yes, I do.
- Q. Would you agree that it improves the experience of people who use the devices and makes them more likely to buy another one or recommend them to others?
- 7 A. Yes, I do.

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Q. In the case of free apps, you say something about this
in your witness statement. Can we turn to this back in
your witness statement? You can put that bundle away
and if we go to your witness statement, please, page 49.
I think mercifully the page numbering is the same both
internally and externally. {B2/5/49}

This is again talking about free apps in paragraph 169. If we just look at the last three lines together, you say:

"As explained above, Apple does not charge any Commission for such apps, but nonetheless gains a commercial benefit through making its hardware, software and services more attractive to consumers."

Of course that is why Steve Jobs no doubt said, "We love free apps", but I just want to pick up what you say about software and services because iOS is not marketed or licensed separately from Apple devices, is it?

A. It is not.

- 1 Q. But on those devices, there are means to access other
- 2 Apple services than the App Store, aren't there?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. So you can access Apple Music, which has a subscription,
- 5 does it not?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. And you can access iCloud, where you give away some of
- 8 it with the phone but then there is additional capacity
- 9 you can buy?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Then there is Apple TV, which we will talk about later,
- which you can also access through the device?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. So the App Store serves to boost demand for the devices
- 15 and that in turn boosts demand for these other services.
- Would you agree?
- 17 A. Yes, I can.
- Q. Can we now go, please, to your statement on page 18 at
- 19 paragraph 60. {B2/5/18}
- Thank you. Do you have that, Mr Schiller?
- 21 A. I do.
- Q. Thank you. This is where you are talking about the SDK
- and you say:
- "There were many components to Apple's SDK, but the
- 25 most important ... from a software engineering

- 1 perspective was the set of APIs incorporated into the
- 2 SDK which allows developers to make use of the myriad
- 3 features and attributes of the device in creating
- 4 compelling applications ..."
- 5 Of course, compelling applications help sell
- 6 devices, do they not?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. When you improve the hardware or the software of the
- 9 Apple device, that helps make the devices more
- 10 attractive in their own right too, does it not?
- 11 A. Yes, it does.
- 12 Q. So there is a sort of double effect here, is there not?
- 13 The device is more attractive, so you sell more, and the
- 14 apps become more attractive and they drive sales of the
- 15 devices?
- 16 A. Yes, I think that those statements can both be correct.
- 17 Q. All of that is true of both free apps and paid apps; is
- 18 it not?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. Then if we go back to your statement, please, at
- 21 page 51, $\{B2/5/51\}$ we touched on this earlier just to
- 22 show you, this is under the heading of, "Benefit to
- 23 developers". You outline as a benefit to developers
- these different monetisation models like paid, freemium,
- free apps and so forth, subscription.

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. You point out that these are a benefit to developers,
- 3 but what it means though is that developers can use
- 4 different business models and still place apps on the
- 5 App Store, does it not?
- 6 A. Yes, they can.
- 7 Q. So that is all a benefit to Apple as well, is it not?
- 8 A. I believe so.
- 9 Q. Can we now turn back to paragraph 66 of your witness
 10 statement, which starts on page 19. {B2/5/19} I showed
- 11 you the two headline points from it, but I also want to
- 12 pick up what you say in the last three lines of (b) at
- 13 the bottom of page 19. The starting bullet point is:
- " ... Apple considered that the App Store would be
- a great business opportunity for all developers."
- 16 Then if we just skim to the last three lines, you do
- 17 say:
- 18 "The App Store seeks to improve the experience of
- 19 both iPhone users and app developers, and make it more
- 20 likely that users will continue to purchase Apple
- 21 devices because of the host of trusted and quality apps
- 22 available."
- 23 Continuing to purchase means carry on with Apple
- 24 rather than, say, switching to Android, does it not?
- 25 A. Yes.

Q. But even so, this evidence generally, if I may
respectfully suggest, rather understates the position
because it is not just a sort of coincidental feature,
it is the core of the business model that the App Store
will drive device and indeed service sales. Would you

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agree?

- A. That was not how we thought of it when we designed it.

 We really were thinking of these exact elements that

 I outlined. Yes, of course, it does ultimately benefit

 devices and benefit Apple, but those were not what we

 were talking about or articulated directly when we

 worked on it.
 - Q. I showed you just a moment ago exactly what Mr Jobs said in 2007 and 2008, and I put to you that was the core of the business model, that the App Store would serve to sell devices and indeed services.
- 17 A. That is not the way we discussed it when we worked on it.
- 19 Q. I have put my case and we also have your earlier 20 answers.

May we now look, please, at tab 19 of your bundle,

which is volume A3, and this is {D/361/1}, please. This

is a press release, I think, or at least a press

statement probably based on an Apple press release. You

can see about four lines down from the top it is

- 1 January 6, 2016. This is a journalist writing,
- 2 Rhiannon Williams, and they say:
- 3 "Apple customers forked out more than \$1.1 billion
- 4 on apps and in-app purchases over the festive period,
- 5 spending over \$144 million on January 1 alone."
- 6 Then skimming down, please, to the fourth paragraph
- here, there is a quote from you, and you say, or you are
- 9 quoted as saying:
- 9 "The App Store had a holiday season for the record
- 10 books. We are excited that our customers downloaded and
- 11 enjoyed so many incredible apps for iPhone, iPad, Mac,
- 12 Apple Watch and Apple TV, spending over \$20 billion on
- the App Store last year alone ..."
- As usual, you do not give a figure for Apple's
- profits. But the point here is there is a whole series
- of Apple devices there that are driven by sales of apps,
- 17 are there not?
- 18 A. I do not think that is a correct statement, no.
- 19 Q. Well, let us try something that you hopefully will agree
- with. All of these devices have apps for them, do they
- 21 not?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. iPhone and iPad run the same version of iOS, do they
- 24 not -- sorry, with some minor modifications?
- 25 A. iPad was based on iOS. It is evolved into its own

- 1 version of it.
- 2 Q. Yes, but it is essentially iOS for iPad, is it not?
- 3 A. That is a description for it that is somewhat accurate,
- 4 not entirely.
- 5 Q. The details do not concern us, luckily. I think with
- 6 the power of Wikipedia I have learned that Apple Watch
- 7 and Apple TV also use some kind of variant of iOS; is
- 8 that right?
- 9 A. Yes, in a fashion.
- 10 Q. The Mac uses its own software, does it not?
- 11 A. Actually, macOS came first. iOS was built from macOS.
- 12 Q. Of course.
- 13 A. So each of them are related in some degree.
- 14 Q. But the short point here is would you accept that the
- 15 availability of high quality apps helps drive sales of
- 16 all of these devices?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Would you accept that in practice the App Store has in
- 19 fact driven device sales, at least as one of the many
- 20 factors that has that effect?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Can we turn, please, to tab 36 now, which is in your
- volume A3, and this is D1/1673/1 -- sorry, it is
- $\{D1/1673.1/1\}$. My mistake. Thank you very much. This
- is from February 2024:

- 1 "Apple reports first quarter results."
- 2 This is a press release and it quotes Tim Cook and
- 3 we can just look at the second paragraph:
- 4 "Today Apple is reporting revenue growth for the
- 5 December quarter fuelled by iPhone sales, and
- an all-time revenue record in services."
- 7 Not profit, of course.
- 8 Then Tim Cook says:
- 9 "We are pleased to announce that our installed base
- 10 of active devices has now surpassed 2.2 billion ..."
- 11 That is roughly one for every four people on the
- 12 planet, is it not?
- 13 A. Well, not accounting for the fact that customers may
- have more than one because it is multiple kinds of
- devices.
- 16 Q. Would you agree that this business model that we have
- 17 been discussing has been a big success?
- 18 A. I am not sure which business model now you are saying.
- 19 Q. The business model that includes, as one of the drivers,
- 20 using the App Store to drive device sales?
- 21 A. It includes the App Store. I do not think the business
- 22 model is the App Store drove these device sale numbers
- 23 directly.
- Q. I put it to you earlier, we looked at what Mr Jobs said
- and I suggest to you that is indeed the business model

- 1 or at the very least a part of the business model.
- 2 A. That is your view, yes.
- Q. We have been over this a number of times.
- 4 Let us go back now, please, to page 19 of your
- 5 witness statement at paragraph 66 {B2/5/19}, and these
- are the two goals for the App Store?
- 7 A. Give me one second to --
- 8 Q. Yes, thank you. We can put away that bundle. Right,
- 9 bundle safely on the table.
- 10 Paragraph 66, page 19. We talked about how -- point
- 11 (a) is "App Store... safe and trusted place for iPhone"
- 12 users. Point (b) "Apple considered the App Store would
- be a great business opportunity for all developers".
- Now, you were asked about this in Australia, as you
- probably remember, and what you explained was that these
- goals were formulated even before the App Store was
- 17 launched. Do you recall that?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. You could not recall any contemporaneous record of them.
- 20 Is that --
- 21 A. But there was, yes.
- 22 Q. Well, what was put to you in Australia was the first
- 23 time this language appeared in writing was May 2019, and
- 24 since then have you been able to find any earlier
- documents?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. You have?
- 3 A. If --
- 4 Q. Can you tell me where they are in the bundle?
- 5 A. They are statements we have already reviewed in this
- 6 case and they are referenced in my statement. As you
- 7 recall from our earlier discussion, from the beginning,
- 8 Mr Jobs stated or tried to do two diametrically opposed
- 9 things at once: make the iPhone safe for users and open
- it for developers. Those are the exact same two goals.
- 11 Q. I see.
- 12 A. So they were in a statement at the launch of the SDK, in
- the letter he wrote openly about launching the store,
- 14 and in every communication we have ever had since.
- Q. I see. Let me just show you tab 34, please, just to be
- sure that we have put our case on this. This is the
- document that was suggested to you in Australia was the
- 18 first time this language appeared. Can we turn that up,
- 19 please. It is {D1/1771}.
- 20 A. I see that.
- 21 Q. Thank you. This is -- looks like a page from the Apple
- 22 website. It was created -- or at least not created,
- 23 launched on 29 May. I am going to put to you that this
- 24 was the first time that we are aware of where this
- language was used:

- "We created the App Store with two goals in mind ...

 a safe and trusted place for customers to discover and

 download apps, and a great business opportunity for all

 developers."

 You have given your evidence that is not right, and
 - your solicitors will obviously show the court the documents that support what you have said, but I have put my case to you in any event so we can take this up later to the extent needed.
- 10 What I also wanted to do was show you a document
 11 which led to this particular web page going live, and
 12 this is tab 33, so it is the previous tab in your
 13 folder. Do you still have that open, Mr Schiller? So
 14 sorry.
- 15 A. I will open it back up.
- 16 Q. I should have asked you to keep it open.
- 17 A. That is all right.

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- Q. Tab 33. This is {D1/705/1}, please. This is an email thread that involves you from 29 May 2019 and we will see that Mikal says:
- 21 "Thank you for confirming, Phil. We are now live 22 with the new US page!"
- We believe that to be the page that we just looked at. But below this is a thread of discussion involving various people, including you.

- If we go to page 7, please, $\{D1/705/7\}$ there is
- 2 an email from Kristin Huguet. Is that the right way to
- 3 pronounce her name?
- 4 A. Close.
- 5 Q. Help me get it right.
- 6 A. Kristin Huguet.
- 7 Q. Thank you very much. Kristin Huguet works in Apple
- 8 communications, does she not?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. She does. If we look at the bottom of page 7, this
- document contains various edits of what became that web
- page. At the bottom of page 7, May 24 at 1.46,
- 13 Kristin Huguet says:
- "Attached are the edits from PR, which include many
- of Phil's changes as well."
- Then she says over the page:
- " ... I again removed at the end the point about the
- 18 App Store earning the most money. While it is true,
- I don't think it helps us in this case as it is one of
- the leading reasons we are also in the crosshairs."
- Do you remember that exchange?
- 22 A. I do not recall that exchange, no.
- 23 Q. Would you agree with me, though, that this document is
- 24 partly part of a PR exercise aimed at crafting a message
- in the face of regulatory challenge at that time?

- 1 I agree that any document we place on a website is in 2 part a message, a PR message. Everything is. And we were certainly addressing questions and concerns from 3 4 many groups. I think of more concern to Kristin and 5 team was press. We get a lot of press questions on 6 these things as they become newsworthy, and having 7 a public-facing document that include many statistics and details that we had not shared with all press was 8 a goal of the document. 9
- Q. Okay. When you say "many statistics and details", what
 you are saying is you deliberately omitted the detail
 about the App Store earning most money. We see that at
 the top of page 8.
- 14 A. I see that she wrote that. I do not recall that.

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- Q. Okay. But is it not right that at that time, 2019, there was just a high degree of sensitivity about this because of the regulatory pressure you were under?
- 18 Α. I recall other conversations about monetisation of 19 the App Store, which, as I think about this statement 20 that she wrote, the reason we have talked about it 21 previously is if there had been third-party reports, 22 publications that have often talked about how 23 a developer can make more money per user on the 24 App Store than on the Android store, even though Android has a larger market share, and we often believe that is 25

- due to the trust that is been created with users, they
- 2 are willing to spend more on the App Store. So I like
- 3 making that reference and telling people: hey, the
- 4 App Store performs better for developers than the
- 5 Android store, and that is because of all of this trust.
- 6 You can see where she does not want to make a point like
- 7 that for sensitive -- her concerns.
- 8 Q. Mr Schiller, that is a different point. This is
- 9 about -- you are always happy to talk about the benefit
- 10 to developers, but this is about the benefit to Apple,
- 11 that Apple is making the most money out of the
- 12 App Store. That is the part that she wanted to omit.
- 13 A. Well, you are just guessing at that now. She says "the
- 14 point about the App Store earning the most money", and
- 15 my experience in conversations with Kristin and team is
- 16 the only point I recall about earning the most money is
- about developers earning more money per user than
- 18 Android.
- 19 Q. Okay. What I am going to do now is put my case to you
- on this, which is that this is part of a PR exercise
- 21 aimed at minimising Apple's profit and presenting the
- 22 App Store as a form of benefit to developers and
- consumers, but not Apple itself --
- A. Oh, I do not agree your view of that at all.
- 25 Q. Let us turn to a new topic, please. You can put that

- file away and go back to your witness statement. This
- is now, please, page 53 of your witness statement
- 3 $\{B2/5/53\}$, where you talk about the setting of the price
- 4 at 30%. If we look, please, at paragraph 191, you say:
- 5 "Our decision in relation to the Commission rate
- 6 applicable to paid apps ... was not based on the costs
- 7 that we expected Apple would incur ..."
- 8 We have already established, I think, there is no
- 9 written record of this decision, is there?
- 10 A. There is not.
- 11 Q. In Australia, you confirmed that you could not recall
- any documents looking at the benefits, the risks, the
- costs or the profit impact of the decision. Is that
- 14 still correct?
- 15 A. That is correct.
- Q. Can I ask you to look at the Spotify Decision, which is
- in your bundle, tab 4, bundle 1, and is $\{AB6/45/1\}$. We
- 18 would like to go, please, to page -- let me just check,
- it is 42 in the hard copy, and that is 44 in the
- 20 electronic copy.
- 21 A. I apologise, I did not catch all that. Which tab in
- 22 bundle --
- 23 Q. I do not blame you at all, Mr Schiller. For you, we are
- in your first bundle, A1, and we are under tab 4.
- 25 A. Thank you.

- 1 Q. Thank you very much, we have the right version up
- 2 electronically. When you have that, I will give you the
- 3 page.
- 4 A. Yes, please.
- 5 Q. If you look at the right-hand corner, it is {AB6/45/44},
- 6 internal 42?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What you should see is a paragraph number 127 at the top
- 9 of the page.
- 10 A. I am there.
- 11 Q. We are on the right page.
- 12 You will see just above that the Commission says:
- "The economics of and the impact on the downstream
- 14 markets were not taken into account when setting the
- 15 level of the fee."
- Meaning the 30%. Would you agree with that as well?
- 17 A. Not entirely, no.
- 18 Q. You think the Commission is wrong?
- 19 A. I think the economics, as we discussed, were to our
- 20 knowledge equal to or better than what else we saw in
- 21 the marketplace and so --
- Q. The market comparators?
- 23 A. For apps and so that is a consideration.
- Q. To that extent then. We will come to those comparators
- in a moment.

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. You looked at the comparators, but beyond that, what it
- 3 is talking about here is economics of and impact on the
- 4 downstream markets, which of course means the app
- 5 developers and the end consumers, that is what the
- 6 Commission is saying you did not take into account.
- 7 A. We considered developers and end users and a number of
- 8 factors, so I am not quite sure I understand the
- 9 reference to economics here.
- 10 Q. Okay, well, that is fair enough. You are not
- an economist, you said yesterday, you are not a finance
- guy, so I will not push you to interpret the Commission.
- Can we now turn on in the same document to internal
- 14 page 152, electronic page 154. {AB6/45/154} Thank you.
- 15 If we could just zoom in on the footnote 762, this is
- a short quote from the *Epic* judgment, which we also
- have. Just for economy of effort I am going to the
- quote in the Spotify Decision. Can you see that at the
- bottom of the page?
- 20 A. Paragraph 512?
- 21 Q. Page 152 using the internal page numbering, and it is
- footnote 672 right at the bottom.
- 23 A. Oh, the footnote, yes, thank you very much.
- Q. Can you see that?
- 25 A. I do.

- 1 Q. Thank you so much. It is a quote from the judgment in
- 2 Epic v Apple in California. In the quote, the
- 3 Commission explains in the third line:
- 4 " ... the court considered that there are limited
- 5 constraints on Apple's terms for app distribution and
- the ... fee it charges: [and then it is this] 'Apple set
- 7 its 30% Commission rate almost by accident when it first
- 8 launched the App Store without considering operational
- 9 costs, benefit to users, or value to developers ..."
- 10 Would you agree with that: not cost, benefit to
- 11 users or value to developers?
- 12 A. Not entirely, no.
- 13 Q. In what way is it wrong?
- 14 A. Benefit to users, I do believe there were benefits to
- users of the App Store in the business model that we
- 16 discussed. Example, you brought up many times about the
- model for free and the benefit there. So there were
- 18 benefits we thought of.
- 19 Value to developers, again, in the context we just
- 20 discussed of compared to other distribution methods and
- 21 it being advantageous to them, that was discussed as
- 22 well.
- 23 Q. There was no effort to quantify any of those benefits?
- A. Not that I recall.
- 25 Q. No.

- Let us go now to the comparator exercise that you

 mentioned. So sorry, I am going to come to that. Give

 me a moment, please. I am going to try and stick to the

 order in my notes, we are going to come to that,
- 6 Let us come back to what Mr Jobs said at the time.
- 7 We can put that file away and take up your volume A2,
- 8 tab 15, and electronically this is $\{D1/36/2\}$.

otherwise we will get lost.

- 9 Mr Hoskins showed you this yesterday, I think. This is
- 10 from the -- this is a transcript of the iPhone SDK
- 11 launch of March 6, 2008, so that is the launch of the
- 12 App Store, is it not?
- 13 A. Yes, it is.

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- Q. We can see that you are there, Steve Jobs is S and you are P, and actually it is something that Steve Jobs said that I want to show you.
- 17 Can we turn, please, to -- lots of different

 18 numbering here, but the easiest one to read is actually

 19 PS1/56, which is in the biggest hand, but the electronic
- 21 A. Yes, I am there.
- Q. We are going towards the bottom of the page, this is S, so Mr Jobs, and he says:

numbering is $\{D1/36/28\}$.

" ... just to make it a little clearer, we don't intend to make money off the App Store. I mean, we

- don't make a lot of money off iTunes and the split with
- 2 the music companies is about the same, so in the case of
- 3 the iTunes music store, we give all the money to the
- 4 content owners and we are basically giving all the money
- 5 to developers here and if that 30% ... pays for the
- for a running of the store ... that will be great, but we just
- 7 want to create a very efficient channel for these
- 8 developers to reach every single iPhone user."
- 9 So he is saying here, is he not, that he is hoping,
- 10 but he is not sure, the Commission will cover the costs
- of running the store. Would you agree?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Can we look now at tab 20, which is the interview we
- already looked at, {D1/572/1}. This is -- thank you --
- 15 the interview with Mr Jobs in 2008. I am so sorry, yes,
- it is a different volume, volume 3.
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. We looked at this earlier, but I want to go back to it
- now to page 6 and we actually looked at this very
- 20 paragraph but I want to just take something different
- 21 from it. In the middle of the page underneath the words
- "even with the huge popularity of this", do you have
- 23 that?
- 24 A. Yes, I am on that page.
- Q. Mr Jobs says:

- "It costs money to run it. Those free apps cost
 money to store and deliver wirelessly. The paid apps
 cost money, too. They have to pay for some of the free
 apps. We don't expect this to be a big profit
 generator. We expect it to add value to the iPhone. We
- So the idea here was that the Commission would cover the costs and the profit would come from the devices.

will sell more iPhones because of it."

9 Do you agree?

- 10 A. I think that is an extrapolation different than what he
 11 is said. He simply did not think at this time that we
 12 would cover the costs of running the store, and the
 13 store is a benefit to the iPhone. That is what he said.
- Q. So what he is saying, I think in terms, is we do not
 expect to make profit out of the Commission, but we -the plan is to sell more phones because of the
 App Store. Would you agree?
- A. Well, "plan" is too strong a word. The hope. Yes, but

 he hoped that the total solution would help us sell more

 iPhones against our competitor, yes.
- Q. Thank you. Let us now go to the comparators point that

 I kept putting off, but not intentionally. We can close

 that and go back to the Australian transcript that

 Ms Demetriou showed you yesterday. This is in your

 first bundle, tab 2, and it is {G2/18/82}. If we can

1	zoom in on the bottom half, please, this is the part
2	that Ms Demetriou showed you yesterday and asked you if
3	you would adopt in this case. You talk about various
4	comparators. It is fair to say that the issue of what is
5	or is not a good comparator for the App Store in the
6	period of this claim is something the experts are
7	debating and I am not proposing to put our expert case
8	to you, but I do want to ask you about what you say
9	here, because you list certain things that you say you
10	were taking into account at the time. There were
11	multiple channels for software at the time and you say
12	the biggest channel was still shipping CDs through
13	stores and you say they were charging 50 to 70%.

Would you agree that shipping CDs is different from running an electronic App Store?

16 A. Yes, it is different.

- Q. Then you talk about Steam, which the experts discussed, then you mention something called Handango. Again with the help of Wikipedia, I have learned Handango was a kind of app -- some sort of app for mobile devices at the time, was it not? You will tell me, not me telling you.
- A. Yes, I actually used it at the time so I had an account on it. It was a web-based portal for downloading applications to -- or not smartphones yet, feature

- phones, Nokia and Ericsson, a Sony, and they were often
- 2 written in the language called Brew, B-R-E-W, for sports
- 3 scores or news headlines, if you download them on to
- 4 your devices.
- 5 Q. What Wikipedia did tell me, reliably or otherwise, is
- 6 that Handango changed ownership and went bust around
- 7 2013, does that sound right to you?
- 8 A. That I do not know.
- 9 Q. Well, in any event, that is long before our claim.
- Beyond that, we are going to leave this issue to the
- 11 experts.
- Now, as it has turned out, the App Store has been
- highly profitable, has it not?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Can we look at tab 26, so this is $\{D1/1469/1\}$ and it is
- in your third volume. Thank you. Do you have that?
- 17 Third volume, tab 26.
- 18 A. I hope I am on the right thing. The tab is number 26,
- 19 the first page says tab 25, so I want to make sure we
- 20 are on the same document.
- 21 Q. I think that is because it was tab 25 to your witness
- 22 statement but the content starts on the next page, where
- 23 hopefully you will see this is from the Apple Newsroom.
- Do you have that?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. It says -- this is May 2023:
- 2 "App Store developers generated \$1.1 trillion in
- 3 total billings and sales in the App Store ecosystem in
- 4 2022."
- 5 So we are an awful long way from Steve Jobs' billion
- 6 dollar marketplace at this point, are we not?
- 7 A. Yes, but we are comparing a bit apples and oranges here,
- 8 no pun intended. The trillion dollars is also referring
- 9 to commerce that occurs unrelated to through Apple or
- 10 through in-app purchase, that includes physical goods
- and other methods.
- 12 Q. I see. But what we do not see here, unless we have
- missed it, is any figure about how profitable the
- 14 App Store is for Apple, do we?
- 15 A. Correct.
- Q. Can we now turn, please, to your tab 37 in volume A3 and
- 17 this is $\{D1/757/1\}$. To make sense of this document,
- I would like to go to page -- sorry, the bit I actually
- 19 want is page 9, so if you look in the right-hand corner,
- 20 Mr Schiller, this is confidential so we will not be
- 21 reading out any numbers. It is {D1/757/9} in the bottom
- 22 right-hand corner. Can you see that page, it has some
- 23 big blue boxes on it?
- 24 A. I can see it on the screen. I lost track of where you
- 25 would like me to go and find it.

- Q. Do you mind if we just use the screen for this purpose and we will see how we go.
- 3 A. Sure, that is fine.
- Q. This is from a slide deck that was prepared by Apple

 Financial, which we discussed with Mr Parekh, and I am

 obviously not going to ask you any detailed questions

 about it and the numbers are confidential. But the only

 point I wanted to make is if you look in the bottom

 right-hand corner, this is described as "FY20 products

 and services summary", you can see that at the top.
- 11 A. I see that.
- I am just going to describe what is there, just in case
 anyone pops up on the other side. There are figures for
 operating margin and in the right-hand corner there, so
 the big pale blue box on the right, there is a figure
 for the App Store that we must not read out. Do you see
 that?
- 19 A. I see that and I do want to make sure you understand, I
 20 do not get this report --
- 21 Q. I want to go to --
- 22 A. So I have not seen it other than in testimony.
- Q. That is fine, we have explored it with your CFO,

 Mr Parekh, so I am not going to cover that ground with

 you.

- 1 A. Okay.
- Q. But the point I want to make is a much broader point
- 3 which is that when you and Steve Jobs set the level of
- 4 the Commission, you had no idea that the App Store would
- 5 be a success on this kind of scale, did you?
- A. No, we did not.
- 7 Q. You have explained that it was set without any economic
- 8 analysis at all, was it not?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. Is it not right that looking back now it is exceeded
- 11 your wildest hopes for it, you have made
- an extraordinary amount of money, have you not?
- 13 A. On the first part, it certainly exceeded anything we
- 14 imagined. How much money we make, you are getting to
- 15 profitability and that is not for me to talk to --
- 16 O. But it --
- 17 A. -- since I am not in the finance team.
- 18 Q. Let me just put it very broadly; if you feel unable to
- answer it, that is fair enough. Would you agree it has
- 20 been extremely profitable, the App Store?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. That is even without taking into account the sales for
- 23 devices and other services that it is helped to push,
- 24 would you agree?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Let us move on to a different topic. I think we can put
- 2 that bundle away and this time it is going back to your
- 3 witness statement. I want to ask you about free apps
- 4 again and the fees that are paid by the people who host
- 5 free apps.
- A developer who only creates free apps pays no
- 7 Commission at all, do they?
- 8 A. They do not.
- 9 Q. They only pay the developer program fee, which is \$99 or
- 10 £79 in the UK?
- 11 A. The majority do. There are groups of developers that do
- 12 not even pay that.
- 13 Q. They are exempted?
- 14 A. For example, governments, education institutions,
- 15 non-profit institutions, those kind.
- 16 Q. I see, but commercial developers pay -- free app
- developers would pay the \$99 fee?
- 18 A. Yes, and that is not on a per app, that is on a per
- 19 account. You could have 1,000 apps under that \$99 if
- you want.
- 21 Q. I understand. What I want to do is go to your witness
- 22 statement now at page 18, so it is {B2/5/18}, please,
- 23 paragraph 60. We looked at this earlier. This is about
- the benefits in terms of SDKs that help create
- compelling applications. Now, that is something that is

- available to developers who just use free apps, is it
- 2 not?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. When you say at 62 and 63, if you want to just read
- 5 those to yourself, you list -- 62 you list various
- 6 software tools and then 63 you explain that there will
- 7 be functionality for game apps. Do you want to just --
- 8 those I am sure are familiar, but do familiarise
- 9 yourself.
- 10 A. Yes, I see those.
- 11 Q. Those are tools that would be available to developers of
- 12 free apps, are they not?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Then if we go to page 59, please, we touched on this
- 15 earlier. There is a heading between paragraphs 211 --
- 16 so sorry, 59.
- 17 A. I am on that page.
- 18 Q. Thank you so much. There is a heading in italics:
- "Benefits that developers get from their use of
- 20 Apple's tools, software and proprietary technology and
- 21 Apple's ongoing services to developers."
- 22 I am going to just invite you to read this to
- 23 yourself down to paragraph 218. The question I am
- asking you is whether all of this applies equally to
- developers of free apps. (Pause)

- 1 A. Which number would you like me to read to?
- Q. So sorry, Mr Schiller. So from 212 down to 218. The
- only question I am going to ask you is: are these
- 4 benefits that are also applicable to developers of free
- 5 apps? So I am not going to ask you any detailed
- 6 questions about it. That is the only question I want
- 7 you to think about. (Pause)
- 8 A. There is reference in 218(e) to taxes and I think that
- 9 would not apply to free apps --
- 10 Q. Yes, that would be irrelevant, wouldn't it?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Thank you.
- 13 A. That is the only thing I see that would be a difference
- 14 between a paid and free app on that list.
- Q. Yesterday when Mr Hoskins was asking you questions, you
- 16 talked more generally about the services of sort of
- marketing and delivery that you provide for app
- developers.
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- Q. That would include, for example, hosting, would it not?
- 21 A. Yes.
- Q. Those are also benefits that accrue to developers of
- free apps, are they not?
- 24 A. Yes, they are.
- 25 Q. For the Tribunal's note, we can show you later where

- 1 that is in the Developer Program Licence Agreement but
- 2 we need not take up time with that now, given
- 3 Mr Schiller's answer.
- 4 You provide all of this, all of these benefits to
- 5 free apps for £79 per developer for the reason we
- 6 already discussed, that the free apps help you sell
- 7 devices, do they not?
- 8 A. Yes. Not only that, there are other reasons as well,
- 9 but that is included.
- 10 Q. In the case of paid apps, not free apps, you get paid,
- 11 I am going to suggest, in four ways. You get the
- developer program fee, which is applicable to developers
- of paid apps. You also get the Commission, which they
- pay but free apps do not pay. You get the benefit of
- increased device sales and you get the benefit of
- increased sales of other services. Would you agree with
- 17 that?
- 18 A. I think they are all in some mix in the equation to
- 19 different degrees.
- 20 Q. Thank you. Let us turn to a different topic which is
- 21 more about costs than prices, which is R&D and the
- development of the iPhone.
- Now, your witness statement explains the iPhone was
- 24 launched in 2007. In October 2007 you decided to open
- up the iPhone to third-party developers, and then you

- 1 launched the first SDK in March 2008, six months later.
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. Just for the Tribunal and for the transcript, that is
- 4 paragraphs 56 and 59 of Mr Schiller's witness statement.
- 5 Can we go instead, please, to page 10 at
- 6 paragraph 38 of your witness statement, so that is
- $7 \{B2/5/10\}.$
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. What you say at paragraph 38 is:
- "Apple incurred significant costs in developing the
 iOS operating system."
- 12 You say:
- "A copy of a summary of Apple's research and
- development expenses between 2005 and 2020 is at
- 15 [PS1/6]. Records of Apple's research and development
- 16 expenditures are maintained in the ordinary course of
- 17 Apple's business and this summary was prepared based off
- 18 Apple's records. The document shows that between 2005
- and 2007, the period during which Apple was developing
- 20 the iOS operating system, Apple invested approximately
- 21 USD2 billion in research and development."
- 22 So that is 2 billion in R&D over two years. We do
- 23 not need to turn it up, but for the transcript that
- document is {D1/1889/1}. Indeed of course that is what
- 25 Mr Schiller says it says, so we do not need to look at

- 1 it.
- 2 To be clear, when we look at this \$2 billion figure,
- 3 that is for two years, 2005, 2007, is it not?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. It is for the whole of Apple, is it not?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. At that time, of course, you were developing not just
- 8 the iOS but the iPhone itself, were you not?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Because they were launched simultaneously?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. The iPhone was quite a significant new product line for
- 13 Apple, was it not?
- 14 A. Yes, it was.
- 15 Q. How many years do you think it took to develop it?
- 16 A. Things do not start all on one date, but some of the
- 17 project began five or six years previously, and really
- 18 the full team was established in the three years or so
- 19 before it and all dedicated it.
- Q. So that 2005 to 2007 would include, just to be rather
- 21 approximate, a big chunk of iPhone development, but
- 22 perhaps not all of it?
- 23 A. Correct.
- Q. But at that time, Apple had other product lines, did it
- 25 not?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Again with the power of Wikipedia, I think the answer is
- 3 that you had PCs -- or desktop computers probably is
- 4 a better term?
- 5 A. Macintosh.
- 6 Q. Remembering the advertising wars of that era, it is
- 7 definitely not a PC, it is a Macintosh?
- 8 A. Yes, thank you.
- 9 Q. Then you also had laptops or MacBooks?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. You again I think had a first generation of Apple TV
- 12 around that time?
- 13 A. I believe so. I am forgetting now the date of that,
- 14 yes.
- 15 Q. Given my normal source, I am not going to press the
- 16 exact date. But on the services side, you had iTunes as
- 17 well?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. But probably not yet the Cloud in 2007?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. So when we look at that R&D budget of \$2 billion, that
- 22 would cover R&D for all of those products and services,
- would it not?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Even when we think about the iPhone, putting aside all

- 1 these other products and services, there is the hardware
- 2 side and the software side, is there not?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. When we think about it in terms of how much was spent on
- 5 iOS, out of that 2 billion has to come all those other
- 6 products and services and the very important new
- 7 hardware product of the iPhone itself, would you not
- 8 say?
- 9 A. Not entirely, I do not think -- it is already hard to
- split this out and I am sure you have talked with the
- finance people about that.
- 12 Q. We did.
- A. But it is even harder to split out the R&D between
- 14 hardware and software because of the interrelated nature
- 15 of it --
- 16 Q. I understand.
- 17 A. -- and teams were working together on it so I would not
- 18 be so absolute saying you just need to remove the
- 19 hardware, it is not part of the iOS development. They
- are a joint project.
- 21 Q. I understand. Of course you explain in your statement
- 22 that the decision to open up the phone to developers was
- 23 taken in October 2007 and the SDK was launched in March
- 24 2008.
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. So that is a six-month period, is it not?
- 2 A. Just about, yes.
- 3 Q. So the R&D that was used for the benefit of the
- 4 App Store was just a part of the R&D for the six months,
- 5 putting aside all these other projects, would you not
- 6 agree?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 O. No?
- 9 A. No. There is a great deal of the work that went into
- 10 iOS that was necessary to and part of the work that
- 11 became the SDK. The SDK was taking work that was
- 12 already occurring and turning it into a developer facing
- set of tools, and so it did not start from scratch at
- 14 that period.
- 15 Q. I see, I understand. What I am putting to you really is
- 16 just that when we look at that 2 billion, however one
- 17 divides it up exactly, the App Store itself is just
- a small portion of that 2 billion.
- 19 A. It is a portion. I would not say small or large.
- I would not give it a descriptor like that.
- 21 Q. Thank you. If we go back to your statement {B2/5/22},
- 22 paragraph 78 you have a heading:
- 23 "Apple continually improves the App Store."
- 24 Can you see that?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

- 1 Q. Thank you. Under that there are five bullet points that
- 2 you give. In 2012, [you say] Apple redesigned [it] to
- 3 replace the "Categories" tab with "Top Charts" and
- 4 "Genius" tabs" and then you say "Apple created App
- 5 Previews". Then in 2016 you introduced search ads and
- also in 2016 you "launched the App Store Improvements
- 7 process to remove apps that no longer function". Then
- 8 in 2017, the App Store storefront was overhauled with
- 9 a ground-up redesign.
- 10 For the purpose of our case, the only one of these
- 11 that falls into our case period is in fact the last one,
- the redesign. It is right, is it not, that Apple
- carries out customer services to see how the App Store
- is actually regarded by -- I said services. I will
- 15 start again. Carries out customer surveys to see how
- the App Store is regarded by developers, does it not?
- 17 A. Yes and before we move off it on that previous point --
- 18 Q. Yes.
- 19 A. -- I would suggest that item (d) also covers this period
- 20 because while we started the --
- 21 Q. You are quite right.
- 22 A. We do it annually now, that programme.
- 23 Q. So sorry, thank you for correcting me. I just misspoke.
- 24 So item (d) is about removing apps that no longer
- 25 function as intended.

- 1 A. We have a programme that is now an annual programme in
- 2 that process so --
- 3 Q. A sort of cleansing process --
- 4 A. I jokingly called it our spring cleaning --
- 5 Q. Understood, so sorry, it was just pure misspeaking on my
- 6 part.
- 7 But 2017 was more of a ground-up redesign, as you
- 8 say?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. What I tried to say before putting my foot in my mouth
- 11 was that you actually carried out surveys to see how
- 12 developers regard these kind of developments.
- 13 A. I believe there have been some surveys done.
- Q. Okay. Can I show you one under your tab 38, that is
- 15 $\{D1/563/1\}$. Thank you. This is -- sorry, this is in
- 16 your bundle 3. Tab 38.
- 17 A. I have no content on tab 38.
- 18 Q. I am very sorry about that. Let us see if we can manage
- on the screen because luckily I am just showing you some
- 20 big picture slides.
- 21 Those behind me have worked very, very hard to get
- 22 the bundles in good order and I have not always made it
- 23 easy --
- A. I appreciate the work that goes into that. Thank you
- very much.

- 1 Q. Shall we look at tab 38 on the screen. If you decide
- 2 that you wanted to see this in hard copy, we will come
- 3 back to it later. You will see this is an App Store
- developer marketing research document, July 2018. Have
- 5 you ever seen this before?
- 6 A. I do not recall it.
- 7 Q. You will see it says "FY18 developer survey results" for
- 8 various countries, and of course we are interested in
- 9 the UK. This would be after the relaunch, would it not?
- 10 A. Yes. Well, FY18 covers 2017 to 2018, so -- but it is
- July, so yes, it would. Thank you.
- 12 Q. Let us go, please, to page 23 {D1/563/23}. We can see
- in fact in fairness that one of the questions asked was
- 14 impact of redesigned App Store that launched with iOS
- 15 11. If we look at the second column, that is the UK, we
- have 29% don't know, 14% negative, 47 no impact, and
- then 11% positive. Do you see that?
- 18 A. I do.
- 19 Q. Those are quite mixed reviews, are they not, for the new
- 20 relaunch, would you agree?
- 21 A. Without studying how they asked and what the users
- 22 understood about that, I cannot say either way.
- 23 Q. It is an internal Apple document so I hope that their
- 24 research met your standards, as one would expect.
- 25 Can we go to page 14, it is a different question

{D1/563/14}. Thank you. This is a question about satisfaction with the tools and services Apple provides as a development platform. Here, if we again look at the second column, the UK, we can see at the top, 8% "very dissatisfied", 16% "somewhat dissatisfied", 14 "neither", 43 "somewhat" and just 19 "very satisfied". Would you agree with me that again those are rather mixed reviews?

- A. Well, it is mixed with different feedback. I do not know again the trend analysis on this and whether this is an improvement or not from the past and I do not know competitively how it would compare to how they think of tools on Android and Windows and if this is much better or not, so I would rather not make a qualification about the data.
 - Q. I understand. I will show you the slides anyway so you can comment to the extent that you feel able and you have made clear you have not seen this before so let us look at the next one on page 15. {D1/563/15} This is overall satisfaction with the App Store. Without reading out the percentages, you can see the UK column again is rather a mixed bag.

All I am really putting to you is that this Apple research seems to show there are plenty of developers who are not very impressed by the continuing innovation

- on the App Store. Would you accept that?
- 2 A. That there certainly are some. I would not qualify it
- 3 with "plenty".
- Q. It sounds like you are not really in a position to go
- 5 behind these slides in truth?
- 6 A. I just do not think this slide tells you compared to
- 7 what both either temporally or competitively, so I think
- 8 it would be improper to make a qualification of overall
- 9 satisfaction and what is good or bad.
- 10 Q. I understand. We just observed this was obviously
- 11 something that Apple itself thought would be
- informative, was it not, it is an Apple exercise?
- 13 A. Or useful to us to continually try to get better and
- improve, which we do care a lot about.
- Q. Okay. Let us just continue on this topic but turn to
- something else, which is the *Epic* judgment, which is in
- 17 your volume 2 under tab 16 where the topic of innovation
- is covered.
- 19 Can we go to that, please, and starting at page 102
- 20 electronic, 101 paper. Did I give the reference? I am
- 21 not sure I did. It is {AB5/7/102}.
- 22 A. Yes, I am there.
- 23 Q. Thank you very much.
- If we can go to the electronic page 102, so
- 25 Mr Schiller, depending on your taste for the references,

- 1 it is 101 in the middle, 102 in the right-hand corner.
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Do you have that?
- 4 A. I do.
- 5 Q. This summarises some other research that was done in
- 6 2018 and if we pick up just above the bullet points it
- 7 says:
- 8 There is "an email summarising 2018 write-in answers
- 9 suggesting that developers perceive the App Store as
- 10 lacking features common to other platforms."
- 11 Can you just read those four bullet points? (Pause)
- 12 A. I see that.
- Q. In fairness, what I will do is in fact -- sorry, this is
- 14 going to just complicate matters slightly. I think
- 15 I should just show you the document itself, which we
- 16 have in the bundle. It is at tab 39. It is $\{D1/594/1\}$.
- 17 This is again a document that there is no reason to
- think you have really seen it before, but it is not
- 19 copied to you. Does it look at all familiar?
- 20 A. I do not have any content on tab 39 so I will have to
- look at it only on screen.
- Q. Okay, sorry.
- 23 A. That is all right.
- Q. You will see on the screen -- I am so sorry, it is my
- 25 fault again, it is absolutely mine -- if you look just

above the bullet "Search", you can see it says: 1 2 "Q: What can we do to make the App Store better? "Total number of respondents: 3,587." 3 There is a mixture of answers in there, some of 4 5 which were highlighted in the decision in Epic. Let us put that document away, I will not ask you 6 7 any further questions about it as you do not have it there and it is a bit difficult to pick through. 8 9 Let us go back to Epic, which is in your bundle 2, tab 16. Did you keep it open by any chance? 10 11 Α. I did. 12 Ο. Great. It is {AB5/7/102} is where we were? 13 Yes, I am on that page. Α. Thank you. That is what we just looked at. After that 14 Q. 15 feedback, the judge says on the next page: {AB5/7/103} 16 "Indeed, Apple's own... head of App Review, 17 Philip Shoemaker, has described the App Store as 'antiquated' with 'no radical innovation, only 18 evolution' for the last ten years." 19 20 I am going to show you what he said, but it is 21 actually marked as confidential, so I will not be able 22 to read it out. In your case you have only listed in 23 your witness statement innovations, the latest of which 24 was 2017, have you not? I used those as examples, yes. 25 Α.

- 1 Q. I take it you would not agree with Mr Shoemaker?
- 2 A. Not in the least.
- 3 Q. No. If you go down to a paragraph which just summarises
- 4 some of the complaints, the judge says:
- 5 "Apple's slow innovation stems in part from its low
- 6 investment in the App Store."
- 7 Would you agree with that?
- 8 A. Not at all.
- 9 Q. We will be looking at that with the experts.
- 10 Then in the last paragraph, the judge says:
- "Ultimately the point is not that Apple provides bad
- 12 services. It does not: most developers are satisfied
- with the App Store ... rather, the point is ...
- 14 a third-party App Store could put pressure on Apple to
- innovate by providing features it has neglected."
- Would you accept that?
- 17 A. I do not have that same opinion, no. I think we work
- 18 very hard every day to be competitive and innovative.
- 19 Q. Let us just look for completeness, so you have seen the
- 20 primary evidence, to Mr Shoemaker's deposition, which
- 21 unfortunately is now marked as confidential. It is
- 22 under your tab 17 and it is --
- 23 MS DEMETRIOU: I am just rising because it may be if
- 24 something confidential is coming up on screen, I just
- 25 want to make sure that the people sitting at the back

- are within the confidentiality ring and if not, whether
 they would kindly move to the side.
- 3 A. Is anybody in the room not in the confidentiality ring?
 4 So everybody is?
- MR WARD: We are clear? Okay. It is not going to be very
 exciting, anyway, I am sorry to say, but it is {H2/4/1}.

 This is an extract, it is all marked as confidential,

 I will not read out any of the content but just describe

 it. This is Mr Shoemaker's deposition in the
- 10 proceedings.

 11 If we turn to the next page -- sorry, it is

 12 {H2/4/64}, that is my fault. It is the next page in the

 13 hard copy but just an extract. Thank you, that is the
- lines 14 to 20 and this is really the basis of what is
 in the *Epic* judgment that I wanted you to see. (Pause)

one we want. Could I just ask you to read to yourself

17 A. I see that, yes.

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- 18 Q. We just agreed that you have not listed any innovation 19 in the App Store since 2017, have you?
- A. Again, I gave a few examples. If we were to be asked to provide a list of all the innovations by year, I am sure a team could work on that. There have been quite a large number.
- Q. I am putting to you that you do not accept that the rate of innovation in the App Store is slow?

- 1 A. I do not.
- 2 MR WARD: Sir, would that be a convenient moment?
- 3 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, we will take a ten-minute break. Thank
- 4 you.
- 5 (11.46 am)
- 6 (A short break)
- 7 (11.56 am)
- 8 MR WARD: Thank you, sir.
- 9 Can we now, please, turn to page 55 of your witness
- 10 statement. {B2/5/55}
- 11 A. Yes, thank you.
- 12 Q. This is where you talk about changes to the rates of
- Commission and we are going to look at them one by one.
- 14 You say that:
- "As part of [your] role as Senior Vice President
- [etc] a member of the Executive Team, my possibilities
- included helping define and create the Commission rates
- and the changes to them which occurred over time in
- 19 respect of apps distributed through the App Store."
- 20 Again, there are no written records of those
- decisions, are there?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 Q. What we are going to do is look at what you tell us
- 24 about those and then see what we can work out from the
- documents about them.

- 1 The first one you talk about is the Reader Rule.
- 2 This is paragraph 202, and as you say, it was introduced
- 3 in 2011 and it removed the developers' obligation to pay
- 4 a Commission with respect to accessing digital content
- 5 viewed on iOS Devices but purchased elsewhere.
- 6 Then here you do give a reason for this. You say
- you adopted it in response to the emergence of Amazon's
- 8 Kindle Reader app. Are you there?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Good:
- " ... and the fact that users were beginning to read
- books on their iOS devices ... they had previously
- 13 purchased on Kindle."
- 14 The way this works, if I can summarise, the standard
- position on the App Store is that a customer can only
- use content that is purchased on the App Store within
- the app, is it not?
- 18 A. That is how it started when we launched the App Store.
- 19 Q. Then 30% Commission would apply to those purchases?
- 20 A. Correct.
- Q. What happens here is if you have, for example, the
- 22 Kindle app, to use the example you have given, if you
- 23 have purchased the book on the Amazon store, you can
- 24 nevertheless read it in the Kindle app without paying
- 25 Apple 30%?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. What you say at 202(c) is you receive no compensation or
- 3 Commission for those purchases, but of course they
- 4 firstly have to download the app in the store, do they
- 5 not?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Which may or may not be free -- I think it is free in
- 8 the case of Kindle --
- 9 A. Yes, it is.
- 10 Q. -- but generally it may or may not be free, and that
- app may carry with it the ability to also buy things for
- which Apple would get a Commission?
- 13 A. It may.
- 14 Q. It may.
- 15 A. I am sorry, in the case of the Reader Rule, it is not
- 16 mixed. It is either a Reader Rule app or it is not, so
- in this unique situation it would not offer both.
- 18 Q. I see, okay. I want to explore what lies behind this.
- 19 You said that the rule was introduced in 2011. Can we
- go, please, to your volume 5, tab 47. This is
- 21 {D1/106/1}.
- This is an email thread, at the top it is from
- 23 Steve Jobs to Phil Schiller but there is a thread we
- 24 will look at, and it is dated November 2010, so it
- 25 predates when you say the Reader Rule was introduced.

1	If we go to the second page of this, please,
2	$\{D1/106/2\}$ so the bottom of the thread, there is
3	an email from you to Steve Jobs, I assume, saying:
4	"I just watched a new Amazon Kindle App ad on TV.
5	"It starts with a woman using an iPhone and buying
6	and reading books with a"
7	I cannot imagine why that word is confidential, but
8	I will not read it out, an app:
9	"[She] then switches to an Android phone and can
10	still read all her books.
11	"While the primary message is there are Kindle apps
12	on a lot of mobile devices, the secondary message that
13	cannot be missed is that it is easy to switch from
14	iPhone to Android. Not fun to watch."
15	Steve Jobs says:
16	"What do you recommend we do?
17	"The first step might be to say they must use our
18	payment system for everything"
19	Which was of course the rule at that time, was it
20	not?
21	You gave a slightly longer reply on the next
22	page and you say:
23	"I found the TV ads on YouTube"
24	In the second paragraph:
25	"In both versions of the TV ad Amazon is

demonstrating that users build vast libraries of Kindle
books directly on their phones, which does in fact

violate our published terms and guidelines. One reason
we originally approved the exception for Amazon not

using in-app purchase ... was the expectation that users
would often be buying books on a Kindle device and later
accessing them on a phone."

You are accepting there in 2010 there was already an exception for Amazon, are you not?

- A. Yes, but applied to all developers that did the same thing, it was not -- it was more an exception in the rules, allowed in the rules for any developer. We had the ability from the start for apps that provided content to other hardware platforms that were not going to be consumed on iPhone. For example, if you had a store for games on Nintendo Switch, which does exist on the App Store, they do not use in-app purchase because the consumption of that game is not on the iPhone, it is on the Nintendo Switch --
- Q. We are going back in time now, so this is 2010. In your witness statement, you say the Reader Rule is introduced in 2011 and I understand the Reader Rule is of general application, but what seems to be being said here is there is a deal for Amazon in particular because it says "we approved the exception for Amazon".

A. Again, the basis for this and the whole reason it led to
the Reader Rule is Amazon said this app -- we won't name
its name, I do not know why either -- was for the
purpose of a user who is going to -- who has content
they read on their Kindle device and they really won't
be reading it on their iPhone. So that is the main
purpose of the app.

- What occurred through watching this TV ad, and then subsequently talking to Amazon, is the increase in the switch of use case where now users were in fact getting this Kindle content to read on their iPhone, so they were becoming more like regular apps for consuming content on an iPhone.
- Q. Okay, we are going to come on to that because that is what you go on and say in this email, but just before we do, it is just the point about timing. To be clear, it appears from this Amazon is getting a special treatment here ahead of the Reader Rule, which you say was adopted in 2011; is that true?
- A. I do not think they were. They were being treated like
 apps that consumed content on another hardware device
 which was allowed. For example, there was, I believe,
 a Pebble watch app at the same time.
- Q. Why does your witness statement say the Reader Rule was only introduced in 2011?

- 1 A. Because the Reader Rule, which was introduced in 2011,
- 2 which came as a result of this, is we -- I had this
- 3 conversation with the head of this team at Amazon, said
- 4 if the users are going to now consume the content on the
- 5 iPhone, the same rule applies to you that applies to all
- 6 developers, they need to purchase it on the device, and
- 7 Amazon explained: we do not think that will happen.
- 8 People purchasing it on Kindle, we do not want to
- 9 introduce IAP into the app. If you make us do that we
- 10 will have to take the app off the device, we cannot do
- 11 that. So we said okay, let us come up with a rule for
- 12 anyone like you who now wants to have the user acquire
- the content somewhere else, on a Kindle or on the web or
- 14 wherever, and consume it now, which had not been the
- 15 case before, on the iPhone and not have to use IAP.
- 16 Q. Sure --
- 17 A. That is where the Reader Rule came from is this exact
- discussion.
- 19 Q. Indeed and if you look at the top of the thread we can
- 20 see Steve saying in his second paragraph:
- 21 "I think it is time to begin applying this uniformly
- 22 except for existing subscriptions."
- 23 So the short point I am making is that Amazon was
- 24 already enjoying the exception on a bespoke basis before
- 25 you adopted the rule. That is what the email says.

- 1 A. They were not knowingly to us. Our understanding at the
- 2 time, my understanding and the team's understanding at
- 3 the time was that people were not reading books in this
- 4 device and that was what was presented to us form
- 5 Amazon. What we learned through this process is they
- 6 were beginning to and so the use case was changing, and
- 7 so when Steve said to begin applying this uniformly, it
- 8 is the idea that Amazon will have content users
- 9 purchased elsewhere and consume in the device and they
- do not have to apply IAP.
- 11 Q. Let us look at what you said in the email. One reason
- 12 we -- sorry, this is in your answer so we are about in
- the middle of the page in the paragraph that begins, "In
- 14 both versions of the TV ad", do you have that?
- 15 A. Yes, I do.
- 16 Q. In the third line you say:
- "One reason we originally approved the exception for
- 18 Amazon not using in-app purchase ..."
- 19 So I will just put to you one more time they got
- an exception, but you do not accept that?
- 21 A. They were getting them on their other device and the
- 22 primary reading purpose was for that other device, not
- for iPhone.
- 24 Q. Primary, but this is saying they are not obliged to use
- in-app purchase at all, does it not?

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- 2 Then you go on and say: Q.
- " ... the expectation was users would often be 3 4 buying books on a Kindle device and later accessing them 5 on an iPhone. Amazon's early marketing of the Kindle 6 app reflected that ... pattern [but] a lot has changed 7 since then. We have sold many more iPhones and iPod touch than they have Kindle devices, we have the iPad 8 now as a reading device as well, and their marketing has 9 10 changed to reflect that more often Kindle app users are 11 purchasing digital books ... on their phones.
 - "I ... think we should tell Amazon that based on their own TV ads it is clear that the use of the app now violates our terms and guidelines ..."
 - So your proposal was now we have the powerful reading app, you should comply with our rules; is that not what you are saying?
- Α. No. Everything you just read is consistent with how 19 I described it. It has changed and the use case that 20 Amazon described logically was not the case any more and 21 they were even showing it was not the case any more and 22 so they need to move into a new model, and so we created 23 the Reader Rule to help them do that.
- 24 Let us move on from there to another document on the Q. 25 same topic, which is on tab 18, which is in your

- 1 volume 3. This is document $\{D1/128/1\}$, that is the one. 2 This is from March 2011, so it is shortly afterwards. Again, if we go -- this is an email thread 3 which you will see from the top it is about "ESPN's app" 4 5 and it is from you to Steve Jobs and Eddy Cue. Remind me who he is, you explained yesterday? 6 7 Yes, vice president in charge of our services at the Α. time, now senior vice president. 8 Thank you. If we go to the bottom of the thread, so on 9 Q. 10 the next page, $\{D1/128/2\}$ the first email in the thread, 11 bottom half of the page, it is from Mr Cue on 16 March 12 2011 and he is notifying you: 13 "ESPN is planning to launch a new app called Watch ESPN. The app is for ... iPad and iPhone ... and allows 14 15 you to watch the following channels live." 16 Then it lists the various channels and then it says: 17 "They are submitting the app on March 22nd. The app 18 is free but requires you to be a cable or satellite 19 subscriber. You authenticate using your provider's
- "This is going to be huge for our iOS users!"

 In other words, a desirable app that would help make

username and password.

the phone desirable, yes?

24 A. Yes.

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25 Q. "I don't see this app as a problem with our subscription

1 rules but want to make sure you agree." 2 Then you reply: "This will be a great app! 3 "I think it is at issue with our current guidelines. 4 5 It sounds like a Reader ... app for subscription video that has no in-app purchase. In fact, it sounds like 6 7 I need to go outside the app to get an ID and password to use the app. Why would this be okay but 8 a Kindle Reader app that does not use IAP not be okay?" 9 10 So obviously the debate about Kindle is still going 11 on. 12 Then if we look at Eddy Cue's reply starting at the 13 bottom of the previous page, page 1 electronically, 14 $\{D1/128/1\}$ he says: 15 "Here would be my reasons. "Service pays for TV access; the app is giving you 16 17 access to something that is primarily consumed outside 18 the app. "I can't buy ESPN by itself." 19 20 In other words, because it is always part of a cable 21 package is what he means, is it not? I believe so. 22 Α. 23 Q. Probably what he is saying. 24 "There is no way to buy it from the app nor does it link the app to buy ... 25

1		"In the case of Kindle, the primary consumption is
2		on the device and you're buying on the device.
3		At the highest level you are correct but I am trying
4		to put it in practical terms.
5		"We would have to get 30% of all cable bills just
6		[to] watch ESPN. That is unreasonable."
7		So that is the debate that he says even that would
8		be going too far.
9		Then you reply and you say this is back on the
10		first page, about the middle of the page: {D1/128/1}
11		"The reason we are where we are with Netflix, Kindle
12		and some others is that at the start they said that
13		primary consumption and purchase was not on the device
14		either
15		"If key differentiators are where you primarily
16		consume the content and how it is charged outside the
17		app this will be very subjective. I'd prefer we had
18		something simpler and less up to interpretation to base
19		the guidelines on.
20		"I think we need to adjust our guidelines to enable
21		apps like this, but do it in a way that makes sense
22		to us and we can implement"
23		This is you essentially advocating for the
24		Reader Rule, is it not?
25	Α.	Yes, it is, and in addition I think this is we were

- 1 talking earlier about how the goal of the App Store is 2 simply to sell more devices, and I somewhat did not take that perception entirely. I think this is a great 3 4 example of it. As you say, this is going to be a great 5 app, Eddy thinks so, I think so. It should help drive users to want to use more devices, but still we need to 6 7 make sure the rules apply fairly and the model of the Store works even in the light of all of that. 8
- 9 Q. The idea was to get these desirable apps onto the platform so that would help drive devices?
- 11 A. Yes, in a way that is easy for our users and fair to all the developers.
- 13 Yes, and transparent as well. Then look at the answer Q. 14 at the top which I think must come -- it is a little 15 hard to know whether this is from you or Steve Jobs because the heading of the email is "from 16 17 Philip Schiller" but then this seems to be a reply to 18 you so perhaps it does not really matter whether this 19 was you or Steve Jobs, or you are just writing a second 20 email in the same frame, thinking further, which --
- 21 A. It appears so.
- Q. We will assume it is you, but feel free to deny it when we have looked at it:
- 24 "I still think the best and simplest solution is to
 25 update our guidelines to allow reader/player content

- 1 apps on our store.
- 2 "If content providers don't want to use IAP to
- 3 transact purchases in the apps then they wouldn't have
- 4 to but they couldn't use other payment systems in their
- 5 app either or have web links in their apps to directly
- facilitate purchases."
- 7 Then this is the important bit:
- 8 "I think the revenue we may lose from these apps is
- 9 easily offset by having a great selection of apps for
- 10 our devices like this ESPN app and Netflix and Kindle
- 11 too."
- 12 That is really the point you just made to me, is it
- 13 not?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. The benefit in device sales will outweigh what you
- surrendered in Commission?
- 17 A. We cared about all of the factors, yes.
- 18 Q. Just explain to me why, in the previous paragraph, you
- 19 were keen that they should not even be able to use other
- 20 payment systems or have web links to their apps?
- 21 A. Yes, my thinking at this time as we were working on this
- 22 was that the original business proposition of the
- 23 App Store was very fair. We said we are going to build
- this infrastructure, we are going to invest all of
- 25 this -- all this resource in it, and if you want to use

it for free to deliver free apps to users that benefit our users, that is great. If you are going to make a business on top of our technology and investment, then we should share in that business and we should get a Commission.

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So those two simple ideas were, I think, very fair.

This was a new third idea, which is a developer saying: I do not need your help, Apple, to acquire customers. I am going to get them myself outside the app, for example, Amazon with their Kindle products, and they will already have purchased the content before coming to the app and before coming to the store, so can they just consume what they've already previously purchased? To me the fair model is to say: well, if you truly do not need customer acquisition, then fine, then we will not get a cut of the business that you have generated on our technology. If they instead needed to do acquisition in the app with another payment model, then truth is they really are still acquiring the customer after they get the app, after they are on the iPhone, after they use our App Store check and that would not be fair in that original model.

Q. Even though -- I did not mean to talk over you. But even in that situation you would get the benefit of more apps -- more device sales from having their app on your

- 1 system?
- 2 A. Either the benefit or, as you say, not get the negative
- 3 that these apps are not available for us but they are
- 4 available on Android, which is the case with the ones we
- 5 are talking about here.
- Q. What we are, I think -- what you have accepted is that
- 7 ultimately the Reader Rule aimed to make more money for
- 8 you from these kind of apps, through devices?
- 9 A. That was not the thinking.
- 10 Q. That is what it says here:
- "They'll be easily offset by having a great
- 12 selection of apps for our devices."
- 13 A. "I would hate to see Android have these apps and not
- iOS" as well.
- 15 Q. Would you agree that this decision has really paid off
- 16 for Apple?
- 17 A. I am not sure how to measure that. I know there are
- some very large developers that are available on our
- 19 competitor's products that might not be available on
- 20 ours without a Reader Rule.
- 21 Q. Let me show you under tab 57 -- I should just say before
- 22 we go there, you talk about them as competing
- 23 developers. There is a big issue in this case about the
- 24 extent to which there is platform competition. I am not
- going to go into that with you, just to be clear.

- 1 A. I appreciate that. My job is the business of iPhone and
- 2 App Store and I know at least I personally compete with
- 3 other platforms every single day.
- Q. Can we go, please, to tab 57. Sorry, it is $\{D1/1877/1\}$.
- 5 This is a slide deck, we cannot tell from the first
- 6 page, but the second page, this is a sort of App Store
- 7 presentation:
- 8 "I am excited to kick off services with an update on
- 9 the App Store."
- 10 We are going to look at some confidential slides but
- 11 not read out anything that is confidential.
- 12 Is it likely you will have seen this slide deck
- 13 before?
- 14 A. I do not know that I have, I do not recognise it.
- 15 Q. It is from October 2020, if that helps.
- 16 A. I am not sure if I have seen this.
- 17 Q. It contains some information that I am going to just
- show you and not read out. If we go to, please, page 3,
- 19 $\{D1/1877/3\}$ this is a graph that says:
- "Size of business -- last 4 quarters."
- 21 If we can just read but not read out the text that
- is marked as "confidential" underneath.
- 23 A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. Thank you. If we can go now to page 6, $\{D1/1877/6\}$ this
- 25 is:

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"Games and subscriptions -- last 4 quarters."
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                 There is a pie chart. Again, I am not going to read
             it out but I am just going to show you:
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                 "These days, we have [and then it is confidential]
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             for the App Store [then it is confidential]. Together
             they represent [confidential] of our growing
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             [confidential] business."
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                 Then there is a breakdown underneath and then
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             subscriptions, there is a confidential figure and
             a confidential year-on-year figure. You see all of
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             that?
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         A. I do.
         Q. Could we turn then to page 12. {D1/1877/12} This is
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             "Top Subscription Apps -- Last 4 Quarters." Do you see
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             those?
            I do.
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         Α.
         Q. It says:
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                 "Switching to subscriptions, here's a look at our
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             top subscription apps.
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                 "As Tim and Luca said on Monday, we've invested
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             a lot over the past few years in ..."
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                 Then I will not read that out. Would you agree that
             the proposition I put to you earlier that the cut in the
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             subscription revenue through the Reader Rule has really
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             paid off for Apple?
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- 1 A. Not at all. I think you have confused a few concepts.
- In the Reader Rule, Apple gets no Commission. This
- 3 business you are referencing here in the slides are
- 4 subscriptions that you quite rightly --
- 5 Q. Sorry, you are absolutely right, Mr Schiller. We have
- 6 been talking about subscriptions. I misspoke. I meant
- 7 subscriptions. Thank you, you are quite right. Let me
- 8 put my question again because it was a question about
- 9 subscriptions.
- 10 A. Yes, please.
- 11 Q. I was putting to you that the approach you have taken to
- 12 subscriptions had really paid off for Apple, not for
- 13 Reader Rule.
- 14 A. Yes, I agree.
- 15 Q. Thank you. If we now go to your bundle 1, tab 4, back
- to Spotify, which is {AB6/45/154}, please. We are going
- to see -- we have the same page numbering issue that we
- had before, which is I want to go to electronic 154,
- which is paper 152, in Spotify.
- 20 A. I am on that page.
- 21 Q. Thank you very much. In Recital 512 towards the bottom
- 22 of the page, you will see in the fifth line it quotes
- you or purports to quote you. It says:
- 24 "In fact, in ..."
- 25 I will read the first sentence as well just for

1 context:

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2 "Apple's reduction of the fee of the second year of a subscription to 15%... is in the Commission's 3 preliminary view not evidence of meaningful constraints 4 5 from outside subscriptions on Apple's ability to act independently in the market for the provision to 6 7 developers of platforms for distribution ... in fact, in 2016, Phil Schiller, the Senior Vice President of 8 Worldwide Marketing at Apple, explicitly insisted in 9 interview that this reduction was not in any way linked 10 11 to companies encouraging users to go to their own 12 websites to subscribe but ... rather ... to reward 13 companies more for their work in retaining subscription 14 customers."

Was the object not really to reward Apple?

- A. It was to create a business for both developers and Apple.
- Q. I think you accepted yesterday when Mr Hoskins put it to
 you that the general idea was indeed to incentivise
 developers to sell more devices?
- A. No. I do not recall that ever being mentioned with the team who was creating subscriptions. It was all about creating a new subscription business on the App Store for developers and Apple.
- Q. Just give me a moment. (Pause)

- 1 Let us go to the Multiplatform Rule, which you also
- 2 mention. That is at paragraph 205 in your statement,
- 3 which is on page 57. $\{B2/5/57\}$
- 4 A. Yes, I am there.
- 5 Q. Thank you. What you say is:
- 6 "... Apple introduced the Multiplatform Rule
 7 relating to apps that operate services across multiple

platforms, in part in response to developer feedback."

Now, you say it is in part in response to feedback,

but the point of the Multiplatform Rule is that it

allows apps that operate across multiple platforms to

use content purchased elsewhere, provided it is also

available on the App Store, does it not?

14 A. Yes.

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- Q. So, for example, a game, you might have to help me out
 with how this works, but you might buy coins or credits
 or something on another -- on the developer's website
 and then you would still be able to use them while
 playing the game on the App Store; is that right?
 - A. Yes, you mentioned coins and credits. That is a good example of what we call an intermediary currency, so you have bought a value that you then apply wherever you play the game. It also applies to direct purchases.

 Let's say you in a game purchase the ability to use another level. When you then go and get on the

- 1 App Store, you automatically have that level unlocked as
- 2 well. So there are many uses of it.
- 3 Q. So the game itself might well have a charge on the
- 4 App Store too rather than be a free download, might it
- 5 not?
- 6 A. It would be very rare. It is almost always freemium, in
- 7 other words, a free download and then purchases. It
- 8 could be both, but that would be very rare.
- 9 Q. In this instance, unlike the Reader Rule, you have to
- 10 have the ability to purchase those matters on the
- 11 App Store, so another level was your example?
- 12 A. Yes. The user can purchase it on whichever platform --
- it could be the user is on more than one platform, say
- 14 an Xbox and an iPhone. The item you want to purchase is
- available in both places, the user chooses where they
- 16 purchase it.
- 17 Q. We have downloaded the app on the App Store and it is
- free at that point and you want to purchase a next level
- and you -- but you have to have the option of at least
- 20 purchasing it on the App Store, but if you do have that
- 21 option, you can use that next level even if you
- 22 purchased it on the Xbox; is that right? Do you want to
- 23 put it in your own words --
- 24 A. Yes, you are very close. Let me just say it slightly
- 25 differently. Imagine there is a game on both your Xbox

- 1 on your TV and on your iPhone in your hands and you have 2 it in both places, usually you log in to your account, 3 the same account because the developer wants to know who 4 you are. Then there is something you want to purchase 5 and you can choose to purchase it while you are playing on Xbox, you can choose to purchase it while you are 6 7 playing on the iPhone, so you have the option for either. Wherever you purchase it, on the iPhone you get 8 access to it regardless of whether you purchased it on 9 10 Xbox or on iPhone, and we only get our Commission if you
- Q. Thank you very much. But in order to get the benefit of the Multiplatform Rule, there must be at least the ability to purchase it on iPhone?

purchase it on iPhone. If you purchase it on Xbox, we

16 A. Yes, that is correct.

get none.

- Q. Right. Here, is it not right that again the

 Multiplatform Rule promotes use of that app on the

 platform, so if I already have the Xbox, I download the

 app on the platform as well, I can use my Xbox credits,

 if you like. Would you agree?
- 22 A. Yes.

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- Q. So it makes it more likely that a gamer will use the iPhone or the Apple device for gaming, does it not?
- 25 A. I do not know about more likely. It just makes it

- 1 possible for them to use a game where you do not have to 2 pay again for content that -- previously that is what you had to do. Previously you would pay again, and that 3 4 was not just Apple, that is the way it was on Xbox, on 5 PlayStation, on Nintendo, on Android; everybody had you pay again for the content on that device. We were one 6 7 of the first to come up with this new Multiplatform Rule where you did not have to. 8
- 9 Q. The benefit of that for you is it encourages customers 10 using the Apple devices for gaming, does it not?
- A. It started because there was a game we would not even

 get unless we went this way, and that was Microsoft

 Minecraft, which was available on other platforms but

 not iOS, and they implored on us that we needed to do

 this in order for them to consider bringing Minecraft to

 iOS.
 - Q. But what you did was adopt a general rule, did you not, rather than an exception for Minecraft?
- A. That is what we always try to do. When a large

 developer wants something unique, we try to consider how

 can we make sure every developer in a similar situation

 has access to that same term.
- Q. Making the platform attractive to gamers helps sell
 Apple devices, does it not?

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25 A. It does, but again the primary motivation was developers

- told us that we needed to do this in order to get their software.
- 3 Q. But having gained -- sorry, excuse me a moment.
- Having Minecraft on your platform, to use that

 example you have just given me, has a big upside for you
- in making the devices more attractive, does it not?
- A. Well, it made it more competitive. We had competitors
 who had it and we did not, and this was necessary to
 become competitive.
- 10 Q. It also helped you to sell devices, does it not?
- 11 A. Hopefully.
- 12 Q. Can we look now at tab 44, please, in your bundle, which
- is volume A4. This is {D1/1318/1}. This is again
- 14 confidential material that we are not going to read out.
- This is a slide deck again on the App Store. If we go
- to the second page, please, this is -- in fact, we know
- from the metadata a board of directors App Store update
- from 2022. Does this look at all familiar to you?
- 19 A. I do not recall it.
- Q. Okay. It says:
- 21 "Thanks Eddy. Hello and good morning. I am
- 22 Matt Fischer and I lead the global App Store and
- 23 Apple Arcade business."
- 24 That is right, is it not? Matt Fischer is a senior
- executive in the App Store?

- 1 A. Not any longer, but at this time he was and reported to
- 2 me.
- 3 Q. If we go to page 17, please. {D1/1318/17} Again I will
- 4 avoid reading out anything confidential. Under the
- 5 heading of "Games" it says:
- 6 "Now let us talk about games."
- 7 Then there is something I cannot read out, but you
- 8 can see it.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Over the page at 19, $\{D1/1318/19\}$ something that is not
- 11 confidential, apart from the figure, which I will not
- 12 read out, it says:
- "What is awesome is that Apple is driving this
- 14 growth. Our total market share last year was [blank],
- 15 making iOS the biggest gaming platform in the world ...
- 16 by far."
- 17 What I am depending to put to you is, although you
- do not say this in your witness statement, the
- 19 Commission reduction that you gave was aimed at making
- 20 money for Apple through sales of devices as well as the
- 21 apps themselves. Would you accept that?
- 22 A. Not when we conceived of it and implemented it, that was
- not our thought.
- Q. That has certainly been the effect of it, has it not?
- 25 A. Again, I do not know how many device sales to attribute

1		and I have not seen a study of that to games or the
2		App Store, so I would not I do not deny it is likely,
3		I just haven't seen any data that says that
4	Q.	Okay and when you say it was not how you conceived of
5		it, unfortunately we do not have any decision-making
6		documents to test that with, do we?
7	Α.	No, but you have me and I was the one who did it and
8		I was personally there in the meeting and this was my
9		work.
10	Q.	Let us turn now to the Video Partner Program. This is
11		in your witness statement $\{B2/5/56\}$. What you say here
12		is, paragraph 204, you say:
13		"In 2016, Apple reduced the Commission payable on
14		certain transactions relating to the Video Partner
15		Program. The Video Partner Program is designed for apps
16		that deliver premium subscription video entertainment
17		services. Participating apps are required to integrate
18		with a number of Apple technologies, such as Universal
19		Search, Siri, AirPlay single sign-on or zero
20		sign-on, to ensure a seamless experience for customers."
21		Over the page at (b), you make clear at the bottom
22		of (b): {B2/5/57}
23		" developers must use TAP to enjoy the reduced

This is a reduced Commission that is only available

Commission."

- 1 to a video service that integrates into Apple TV, is it
- 2 not?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. To give an example, at least from the UK, Amazon Prime?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. It is not available to all -- any video streaming
- 7 program, is it?
- 8 A. Well, it is available to any that meet the criteria and
- 9 requirements for the program.
- 10 Q. So if I were to take the CAT livestream and meet your
- 11 criteria, you would happily put it on Apple TV, would
- 12 you?
- 13 A. No, that would not be a premium service, yes.
- 14 Q. I will not take that personally, Mr Schiller. But in
- other words, there are -- you apply some commercial
- 16 criteria to decide which services you had be prepared to
- 17 entertain?
- 18 A. Yes, I believe there is a team that does that.
- 19 Q. So Apple has to agree that it wants the service on
- 20 Apple TV?
- 21 A. It is not about wanting, I think there is some objective
- 22 criteria --
- 23 Q. Some commercial --
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. So you would not have -- well, we need not go further.

- 1 Let us look at Apple TV itself for a minute. Now,
- 2 Apple sells a device, does it not, a piece of hardware
- 3 called Apple TV, which is a black box, is it not?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. It is a small black box?
- 6 A. Correct.
- 7 Q. You use it to connect to a TV to stream services?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. When you have the black box, you can use it as well to
- 10 access Apple's own TV content, which is called Apple+,
- 11 I think?
- 12 A. Apple TV+.
- Q. Apple TV+. That is a separate subscription service,
- I think it is £9 a month in the UK or something similar?
- 15 A. Correct.
- Q. So there is a charge for the hardware, I do not know
- 17 what that is, but maybe a couple of hundred pounds or
- 18 dollars?
- 19 A. Less, but yes.
- Q. Yes. Then there is a separate charge, if you want
- 21 Apple TV+ as well?
- 22 A. That additional service, yes.
- 23 Q. So two different charges, you can have one without the
- other, can you not?
- 25 A. Yes, you can.

- 1 Q. Because I can also access Apple TV+ on an iPhone, say?
- 2 A. You can.
- ${\tt 3}$ $\,$ Q. But once I have Apple TV, I can also access other
- 4 services such as Amazon Prime?
- 5 A. Yes, there are, I believe, many customers who have
- an Apple TV and do not use the TV+ service.
- 7 Also, just to make sure we were clear, you do not
- 8 have to subscribe to Apple TV+ on the Apple TV device.
- 9 You could have already subscribed on your iPhone or your
- 10 iPad, and then when you use the Apple TV, you
- 11 automatically get it without paying on the Apple TV,
- just to be complete.
- 13 Q. Yes, I understand. I was just reading that back to
- 14 myself to make sure I followed it, and I did.
- 15 If you want to persuade customers to buy Apple TV,
- in other words the primarily hardware product, but not
- 17 Apple TV+, the Apple TV proposition, you need
- an attractive bundle of content offerings, do you not?
- 19 A. I would not use the word "bundle", but you need apps of
- 20 content to be offered to the user.
- 21 Q. So if I am going to spend -- you said it was less than
- 22 £200.
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. 100, 150, whatever it is. If I am going to spend my
- 25 £100 on the black box for Apple TV to attach it to my

- 1 television, there need to be attractive content
- 2 offerings that make you think this box will stream TV
- 3 services that I want to watch?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. One of my options is Apple TV+, but it does not have to
- 6 be?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. When you are offering reduced Commission here, what you
- 9 were doing was encouraging these content providers to
- 10 sign up for Apple TV, were you not?
- 11 A. No, and I will share what I know of it because I did not
- work on this with the team who did it, but I certainly
- spoke to them many times. The team working on Apple TV
- 14 were trying to create a new experience for the user that
- 15 would be better than competitive boxes, like a Roku or
- something built into your smart TV, and there were
- a bunch of features as described by this program that
- 18 would make that experience better for users, like Siri
- searching of TV shows across multiple services. So by
- offering this program, the incentive was that to
- 21 developers they could pay a lower Commission if they did
- 22 extra work to integrate and create a better user
- experience.
- Q. But the point of creating a better user experience, as
- 25 you put it, is to sell the device, is it not?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. The reduced Commission helps get content providers on
- 3 board to make the device acceptable -- attractive, not
- 4 acceptable, better than acceptable?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. So the purpose of the reduced Commission is again to
- 7 drive overall revenue for Apple, is it not?
- 8 A. That is an end result. I would not summarise it so
- 9 abruptly that we do not say that the primary purpose is
- 10 a better user experience. The end goal is more device
- 11 sales, I agree with you, but we are also driven to
- 12 simply make the best user experience. That is part of
- our goal and desire so we did not want to ignore that.
- 14 Q. Sure. As a listed company in the -- with an interest in
- making profit, the point of a better user experience is
- 16 ultimately, as you say, in the end goal, sell more
- 17 devices, is it not?
- 18 A. That is the hope.
- 19 Q. That is the hope.
- Now, if we go to your witness statement, please, at
- 21 paragraph 56, you say -- do you have that to hand?
- 22 Sorry, it is page {B2/5/56}. I mean page 56,
- paragraph 204. You say:
- "In 2016, Apple reduced the Commission payable on
- 25 certain transactions relating to the Video Partner

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1	Program.	ľ

- 2 But it is right, is it not, that in 2016 what we had
- 3 actually were just some bespoke deals for certain
- 4 developers, was it not?
- 5 A. I do not think of that. We tried to create a program
- 6 that applied to any developer who would meet the
- 7 criteria and do the work to get the benefits.
- 8 Q. Let us look at some documents around this issue. The
- 9 first one is at tab 59 in your bundle A5, and this is
- 10 {D1/418/1}.
- This is an email that I think you have seen before,
- 12 even though you were not a recipient. It is from
- Eddy Cue and it is dated November 1, 2016. For some
- 14 reason I cannot really understand, for the recipient the
- 15 name is redacted too, so we won't read out the
- recipient. Does this email look at all familiar to you?
- 17 A. I may have seen it in testimony. I did not see it as
- part of my work.
- 19 Q. Let us look at it together now anyway. We see it is
- from 2016 and it is addressed to a person that we cannot
- 21 name and it says:
- "I really enjoyed our time together.
- 23 Here are the details of what we discussed on Prime
- Video.
- 25 Amazon Prime Video app in iOS and Apple TV.

1		15% revenue share for customers signing up using the
2		app no revenue share for customers that already
3		subscribe."
4		Then various other details.
5		So that is back in 2016 and appears to be a deal
6		with Amazon, does it not?
7	Α.	It does.
8	Q.	Then if we go now to the next tab, which is tab 16, this
9		is an email from October 2018 and it is $\{D1/603/1\}$. Can
10		we go to the bottom of this thread, it is a little bit
11		involved, and this time I think you are in the thread,
12		so this hopefully will be familiar.
13		At the bottom there is what I think if we go to
14		the bottom of page 2, please, what I think is a Tweet,
15		in other words it is extracted into the document, and
16		this is from someone called David Barnard and this is
17		dated September 28, 2018:
18		"I didn't realise App Store subscriptions could be
19		automatically cancelled through the StoreKit API. I'm
20		surprised I haven't seen more offer to switch billing
21		away from the App Store."
22		And you have then forwarded this saying:
23		"What is this about?
24		Does the Hulu app switch people away from IAP to
25		Hulu billing?"

1 Do you remember this at all? 2 Vaguely, yes. Α. 3 Good. Let us keep going and see what happens in the Ο. discussion. 4 5 Then Mr Kosmynka says: "Looks like this is an API provided to a limited set 6 7 of developers (HULU, Netflix). The API is not a StoreKit API. The prompt shown in this Tweet was on 8 9 the web, not in the app." 10 You say: "I don't know anything about this private API (why 11 12 it was provided). We need to learn about it. I don't think it is a good idea." 13 14 So it sounds as though some ability to avoid using 15 Apple in-app payment is being extended to some 16 developers. Would you agree? 17 Not quite. I would describe differently what I recall Α. 18 from what this ended up being about. As you can see, 19 I clearly was not aware that there was a capability. 20 The capability, as I learned later in this, was that 21 there was a unique scenario with a number of video 22 streaming developers who also have TV subscription 23 services, an example Hulu, Hulu is video streaming 24 service but they also have the Hulu TV service,

a separate service, for a bundle of replacing your

- 1 standard TV offering with theirs.
- 2 Because of the intricacies of TV bundle deals, the
- 3 Apple TV team had to give them a way to migrate users
- 4 between the streaming service -- sorry, this is
- 5 complicated -- the streaming service to a bigger bundle
- 6 that includes the live TV service, but the live TV
- 7 service was not offered on iOS, they offered it only via
- 8 their web, and so they need a way to move the user who
- 9 is upgrading from streaming only to streaming plus live
- 10 TV off of IAP because they cannot do it on IAP, so
- an API was provided to that -- any developer who's in
- 12 that situation. So that is what I subsequently learned
- through this whole process was what the Apple TV team
- 14 did to help these developers.
- 15 Q. Okay. So let us see what the email explains about this.
- 16 You said you do not know anything about this private API
- and you want to learn about it and then Eric Gray -- who
- was Eric Gray?
- 19 A. He works on the App Store in the Services Commerce Team.
- Q. He says:
- 21 "This was originally provided to Netflix as part of
- 22 a custom ATV relationship (before they implemented IAP
- for iOS). It was extended to Hulu and a handful of
- 24 other video partners as part of ATV integrations. As
- 25 those partners moved to iOS, the capabilities were able

- 1 to be leveraged."
- 2 So what we are seeing here then is there is a wider
- 3 exception than just for Hulu, is there not, in 2018?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Then you say:
- 6 "I'm never a fan of one-off bandaid solutions. Can
- $7\,$ we get rid of this now? It makes no sense on iOS (where
- 8 the majority of Hulu and Netflix subscriptions are."
- 9 In other words, if they are subscribing to iOS, you
- want your 30%, do you not?
- 11 A. Oh, it had nothing to do with subscriptions. I am
- 12 trying to be fair and make sure the rules are followed
- and applied equally to all, private APIs or bandaid, as
- 14 I call it, solutions. That is my only concern.
- 15 Q. Ultimately they are enjoying an exception here, are they
- 16 not?
- 17 A. They are in a unique situation. The team had to create
- a way to help them, and again, you see what my feelings
- 19 are. I do not like one-off solutions for a small number
- of developers even though it is very helpful to them.
- Q. Then we go to the first page, $\{D1/603/1\}$ so we go at the
- 22 bottom, and Eric says he will investigate approaches to
- 23 getting rid of it or upgrading it to something better or
- 24 safer that can more widely assist and then Eddy Cue
- 25 says:

1		"What are specific ways in which a partner uses it
2		legitimately?"
3		"Legitimately" meaning other than just not paying
4		Apple Commission?
5	Α.	No, that is about using a private API, which we always
6		feel is risky for device quality and user safety and
7		I think that is what he is talking about, following the
8		rules.
9	Q.	The answer Eric Gray gives is:
10		"The main reason for this was to allow them to
11		provide direct customer support for customers that reach
12		out to them directly. We still don't have good
13		solutions on customer support hand-offs and customers
14		get frustrated. When customers reach out to AppleCare
15		to cancel, it is generally always processed and 75% of
16		the time includes a refund from the last bill."
17		So what Eric Gray seems to be saying is that the
18		developers just prefer this because it gives them the
19		contact with the customer. Would you not agree?
20	Α.	Not exactly. I think it is a little different than
21		that.
22	Q.	All right, that is just what he says. Then Eric says:
23		"Can we get a meeting scheduled?"
24		There is something redacted for privilege, but we

cannot do anything about that.

- 1 Then Pam says:
- 2 "What are we calling it?"
- 3 Then top of the page it is called the "Video partner
- 4 custom APIs". This is now 2018, and that is a title
- 5 which is pretty similar to Video Partner Program, but
- 6 would you agree that what we are seeing here in 2018 is
- 7 indeed bandaid solutions where some developers are
- 8 getting special treatment that is so confidential even
- 9 you do not know about it?
- 10 A. No, not at all. This is -- first of all, your
- 11 comparison to 2016, the Video Partner Program was
- 12 created in 2016, was available to all these developers.
- This is a subset of those video partners, so this is not
- 14 all of them this, is a subset, which is why Eddy called
- 15 it "Video Partners Custom API", for one thing, so no
- 16 confusion between timing and availability of the
- 17 program.
- 18 Q. It is plainly --
- 19 A. We have a -- again my recollection is this applied to
- 20 developers who had this live TV service and the team did
- 21 not know how else to enable them to do what they are
- 22 trying to do. I do not like private APIs, I am not
- a fan of them. We could talk at length,
- 24 Craig Federighi, who I know you will speak to, could
- 25 speak more eloquently than I about them. But the

- 1 Apple TV team, which does not report to me, created
- 2 an API solution for these developers and that is why
- I was not aware of it until this exchange.
- Q. So when at the top it says "we should call this Video
- 5 Partner Custom APIs", is this not really what morphed to
- the generalised 15% discount for the Video Partner
- 7 Program?
- 8 A. No, not at all. This is not that.
- 9 Q. But either way, these people are enjoying a form of
- 10 exception from the general 30% rule, are they not?
- 11 A. Yes. The team created an engineering solution to help
- 12 these unique developers with the complex scenario that
- they had.
- 14 Q. Okay. Let us go now to tab 62, which is $\{D1/973/1\}$.
- 15 The subject here is "Oz: Phase 1 is live", and it is
- from you to a range of people, including other names we
- 17 have seen already, Matt Fischer and Kristin Huguet. It
- is also to Steve McGuigan, who I believe is also in some
- sort of public affairs type role, is he not?
- 20 A. No, he works on App Store marketing.
- Q. Thank you. What we see here is if we go to the second
- page of this, please, page 2, {D1/973/2} towards the
- 23 bottom there is an email from Steve McGuigan, that is
- the one, thank you, sort of around the second hole punch
- 25 saying:

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1
                 "Hello Oz team.
 2
                 "Congratulations on the Phase 1 launch of Oz.
             are live!"
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 4
                 Then he says at the bottom:
 5
                 "Here are the links to the new pages that are ...
             live ..."
 6
 7
                 If we go to the next page, please, page 3:
             {D1/973/3}
 8
 9
                 "Apple Video Partner Program [the third bullet]:
             a new website explaining [the programme] and how ..."
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11
                 Isn't this when the Video Partner Program became
12
             public, not 2016?
13
            No, not at all. This is a website in which the team is
         Α.
14
             outlining a number of programs and they added a tab for
             the Video Partner Program on it. Again, the Video
15
16
             Partner Program was driven from the Apple TV team.
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             worked directly with all the streaming video developers
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             and so it existed, that was already going on. But
19
             I believe the Apple App Store marketing team themselves
20
             hadn't created a web page for it publicly, even though
21
             the program had been running for years and was called
22
             that, it was available to developers, because
23
             a different team had been the one running it, so we just
24
             wanted to make sure there was another resource for it.
         Q. So tell us what the Oz initiative is then?
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- 1 A. It was an update to the App Store marketing pages on
- 2 apple.com.
- 3 Q. Is your evidence then that Oz is not the launch of the
- 4 Video Partner Program?
- 5 A. It was not.
- 6 Q. I see. Can we go now, please, to tab 63, which is
- 7 $\{D1/968/1\}$. This is an email from you at the top to
- 8 deal with a Wall Street Journal infographic on
- 9 competition issues and of September 2020 and it is
- 10 addressed to Tim Cook, Luca Maestri and Eddy Cue.
- 11 Luca Maestri was the CFO at that point?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. What I would like to do is go to the email that you have
- 14 forwarded, which is from Fred Sainz. Does this look
- familiar to you, Mr Schiller?
- 16 A. Apologies, I do not recall this so perhaps as we look
- over it, it will refresh my memory.
- 18 Q. What Fred Sainz says on September 18 is:
- 19 "Phil,
- 20 We were informed by the Wall Street Journal
- 21 yesterday afternoon that they are preparing a 'text-rich
- 22 infographic' to be published as early as next Monday
- 23 (but more than likely later in the week) to provide
- 24 readers an overview of the Epic dispute and the
- 25 grievances raised against Apple by other companies ..."

- 1 Pausing there, by this point the *Epic* litigation
- 2 that we have been discussing in California was under
- 3 way, was it not?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. " ... grievances raised against Apple by other companies
- 6 including Facebook, Netflix, Spotify, Match Group,
- 7 Airbnb and audiobooks.com publishers."
- 8 So that is a lot of large developers, is it not?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. " ... including the New York Times and Wall Street
- 11 Journal via industry body Digital Content Next; and
- 12 government agencies around the world, including the FTC,
- DoJ, Congress and the European Commission. The
- 14 infographic will also reference Amazon Prime video and
- Taylor Swift's open letter to Apple regarding the trial
- version of Apple Music in 2015."
- 17 Can you remind us, was that something to do with the
- 18 level of royalties paid by Apple Music?
- 19 A. I believe so, but I did not work on that, so I am only
- 20 guessing from public documents.
- 21 Q. Okay. Then it provides some extracts from the body of
- 22 the Wall Street Journal report together with some
- comments, and they were excerpts of what they plan to
- 24 report.
- 25 If we look at the first one that is in bold:

- 1 "More than a decade after the launch of the
- 2 App Store Apple is facing backlash from a host of
- 3 companies including Facebook, Epic, Netflix and multiple
- 4 companies allege (in the Journal's words) 'Apple wields
- 5 monopoly power over the gateway that connects users to
- apps.'"
- 7 Is that familiar to you?
- 8 A. No, it is not.
- 9 Q. But you are familiar with the fact that those were the
- views, were allegations?
- 11 A. I can't speak to their views. I just see this statement
- 12 here.
- 13 Q. "They have assured us they will note that we dispute the
- 14 claim."
- 15 Etc. Then they quote in bold:
- "Analysts estimate the App Store generates about \$15
- 17 billion in annual sales for Apple.
- 18 "We have declined to offer feedback here."
- 19 It is right, is it not, that as far as we can see
- 20 Apple never talks about its own revenue from the App
- 21 Store in public --
- 22 A. For many --
- Q. -- as opposed to billings?
- 24 A. Yes.
- Q. You prefer not to talk about that.

It is just not how we report the revenue. 2 I understand. Q. Over the page: "Apple says the [App Store Commission] is in 4 5 line with other app market places take from developers and is needed to cover expenses ..." 6 7 Obviously that is an issue that is going to be discussed later in the trial whether it is in line. 8 9 Then it says: "Apple won't allow companies to mention this in 10 11 their apps where consumers can go to subscribe outside 12 the app." 13 Just pausing there, I want to ask you about that. 14 Are you familiar with this? It says underneath: 15 "While true per guideline 3.1.1, we have made clear 16 that developers are free to price their apps, and in-app 17 purchases, at whatever price point they [want] matches the value of the content they offer." 18 So that is all correct, is it not? 19 20 Α. Yes. 21 Ο. Then it goes underneath to the next bullet point: 22 "Apple also won't allow companies that opt to pass 23 its App Store Commission on to consumers to say in their 24 app that they've done so." It is said underneath: 25

- 1 "While correct per guideline 2.3.10, we have noted 2 that the guidelines don't pertain to what developers do
- 3 on their own websites."
- 4 That is the Guidelines as they existed at that time.
- 5 The fact seems to be that Apple was seeking to prevent
- 6 developers from telling customers that they passed on
- 7 the Commission. Would you agree?
- 8 A. In the app experience, yes.
- 9 Q. Was the reason for that so that Apple could not be
- 10 blamed for the prices that developers were charging?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 Q. What reason did Apple have for not allowing developers
- to say: the price is £10 and, by the way, £3 of that
- 14 goes to Apple?
- 15 A. When we created the App Store, we created what we felt
- was a very simple business model and for developers who
- 17 choose to do in-app purchase, they are choosing to do it
- 18 with us with the terms we have offered, and that it
- 19 would be a bad user experience to start to see prices
- 20 with -- deconstructed into different elements and it is
- said: here's the price I am charging, here's taxes and
- 22 here's Apple's fee. We just thought that was not
- a great experience. We used as our model a very popular
- 24 retailer in the United States, Nordstrom's, which is
- 25 known for high quality. When you go to a Nordstrom's

1 and you go to buy a pair of jeans, it does not say: here 2 is the price minus the fee of the store. It is just not a quality experience you expect and that was our view 3 4 when we started this store and that is how we created 5 our rule. Q. Are you not really seeking to prevent the retailers --6 7 prevent the developers from mentioning this because there is reputational damage in taking 30%? 8 That was not our thought when we created that rule. 9 Α. 10 MR WARD: Sir, I see the time. I have a little bit more to 11 do in this area, but if that is a convenient moment, 12 I am happy to come to it after lunch. 13 THE CHAIRMAN: How are you doing generally? MR WARD: Well, I am not going to be all day. I will be --14 15 without committing myself, I am cautiously optimistic of 16 finishing by the afternoon break. 17 THE CHAIRMAN: Is the position that Mr Federighi is not 18 going to be here until tomorrow or can we get him on --19 MR WARD: I do not know. Shall we find out over lunch and 20 fill you in? 21 THE CHAIRMAN: The only thing I am worried about -- I do not 22 want to take up time discussing this, but Thursday does look quite tight with two sets of experts and we will 23

have to start a little bit late because I am not free

until 11.00, but we can make up the half an hour I am

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- 1 sure, still I'm just wondering if we can take the
- 2 pressure off. Of course that involves quite a few
- 3 moving parts. I do not know whether it is possible.
- 4 Why do you not have a think about it. If we could take
- 5 some pressure off Thursday, it would be quite helpful.
- 6 MR WARD: I can see that, sir.
- 7 THE CHAIRMAN: But there are many other ways of (inaudible).
- 8 So we will break. The usual rules apply, you are
- 9 not to discuss your evidence with anybody.
- 10 THE WITNESS: I will not. Thank you very much, sir.
- 11 (1.01 pm)
- 12 (The luncheon adjournment)
- 13 (2.02 pm)
- 14 MR WARD: Thank you, sir.
- Mr Schiller, I actually do want to go back to the
- document we were discussing just before lunch.
- I confess I thought I would finished with it, but I have
- not. That is tab 63 for you, and it is volume A5, and
- it is {D1/968/1} in the electronic bundle.
- 20 You will recall --
- 21 A. Can I have the tab number again, please?
- 22 Q. Yes, it was tab 63.
- 23 A. Yes, thank you.
- Q. You recall this is an email directed to you from
- 25 Fred Sainz, a little bit above the line as well, talking

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             about an article in Wall Street Journal and making some
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             points in bold from the Wall Street Journal and then
             some responses. We have dealt with -- if we go to the
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             second page, please, around the first hole punch, we had
 5
             dealt with the point about Apple not allowing companies
             to say that they had passed on the Commission, and I do
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7
             not want to deal with that but I do want to go two
             bullet points down further, where it says:
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                 "Amazon in 2016 struck a deal to allow it to pay ...
 9
10
             a 15% fee on Amazon Prime first year digital ... sales."
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                 Do you recall, we looked at that this morning?
12
         Α.
             Yes.
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            I said to you there appears to be a deal with Amazon
         Q.
14
             back in 2016 and you agreed with that?
15
         Α.
            Yes.
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         Q. Just for the transcript, that -- at least on the
17
             LiveNote -- is [draft] page 87, lines 16 and 18. I am
18
             sure the final transcript will be slightly different.
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                 Can we now look at what it says below in this email:
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                 "We have pointed to Tim's comments in his response
             letter to Chairman Cicilline ..."
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22
                 If I am pronouncing that correctly?
         A. I believe so.
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         Q. Chairman Cicilline is the chairman of the House
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Judiciary Committee, or was?

- 1 A. At that time, yes.
- 2 Q. As we know, they were investigating digital platforms,
- and it says "we have pointed", the Wall Street Journal,
- 4 that is, to Tim's comments at the hearing that:
- 5 "'The suggestion that Apple granted unique terms to
- 6 the Amazon Prime video app that allows it to pay a lower
- 7 Commission is false. Apple does not play favourite in
- 8 this manner' and that rather 'Apple ultimately developed
- 9 a set of standard terms for Amazon, and every other
- 10 video streaming service ...'"
- But is it not right that Apple had indeed struck
- 12 a deal with Amazon back in 2016?
- 13 A. Are you referring to the Video Partner Program?
- 14 Q. I am referring to the deal that you and I looked at. We
- 15 can look at it again, if you like.
- A. Sure, because this is talking about the Video Partner
- 17 Program.
- Q. What it is a response to is the suggestion that Amazon
- in 2016 struck a deal to allow it to pay Apple a 15% fee
- on Amazon Prime and if we can -- "Tim" here, I assume,
- is Tim Cook, is it not?
- 22 A. Yes, it is.
- 23 Q. We looked at it -- I just reminded you, but the document
- itself is your tab 59 and it is $\{D1/418/1\}$.
- 25 A. Yes, Eddy's email.

- 1 Q. We looked at this earlier. The second bullet point is
- 2 "15% revenue share for customers that sign up using the
- 3 app... no revenue share for customers that already
- 4 subscribe." Is that not exactly what the Wall Street
- 5 Journal article seems to be talking about? We can go
- 6 back to it --
- 7 A. But it was not -- again, that is the Video Partner
- 8 Program. That is what those terms are and that was live
- 9 at that time and so these are not inconsistent.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. Nowhere in Eddy's email does he say no one else can get
- 12 this.
- Q. Let us move on from that. There is another program that
- 14 I do not think you do mention in your witness statement
- but I want to ask you about because Professor Hitt, who
- is the expert for Apple, does talk about, which is the
- News Partner Program. You do not mention that, but that
- is another form of Commission Reduction Program, is it
- 19 not?
- 20 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. In fact what we can do is just look at what
- 22 Professor Hitt says about it, which is your tab 45,
- 23 which is in your volume A4, just because he summarise it
- is and we can see if you agree with his summary. It is
- 25 $\{C3/4/250\}$. There is confidential information that we

- 1 are not going to read. Thank you.
- 2 Do you have that, Mr Schiller?
- 3 A. Yes. The page number would be?
- Q. 250, using the C3/4 rather than the internal.
- 5 A. All set, I am on that page.
- 6 Q. Thank you. If you look at paragraph 456, he says:
- 7 "Apple launched the NPP on 26 August 2021. The
- 8 program reduced Commission rates on all in-app purchase
- 9 transactions on the App Store for digital news content
- 10 to 15 percent for app developers that enrolled in the
- 11 program."
- 12 Is that right?
- 13 A. That is correct.
- 14 Q. He gives a confidential figure for how much -- how many
- 15 people -- how much spending this actually accounts for,
- but I do not need to ask you about that.
- Now, Apple News is an app that comes pre-installed
- on every iPhone and iPad, is it not?
- 19 A. Yes.
- Q. If we turn to tab 66 for you, volume 5, and for us,
- $\{D1/1510/1\}$, please, we will find a news release
- 22 explaining it. Thank you. Sorry, is it a news release
- or just a website page, actually?
- A. Yes, it looks like a web page about the program.
- 25 Q. Yes. We just want to get clear what it says about it

1 just so we understand it, and it says under "the News 2 Partner Program": "The News Partner Program is designed for 3 4 subscription news publications that provide their 5 content Apple News in Apple News Format. Publishers that work with Apple News may qualify for a Commission 6 7 rate of 15% on qualifying in-app purchase subscriptions from day one. In addition, the News Partner Program 8 will help support, fund and collaborate ... [to] 9 educate ... consumers ..." 10 11 There are some eligibility requirements: 12 "You must maintain a robust Apple News channel ... 13 The primary function must be to deliver original professional news ... 14 15 You must be available on the App Store and allow 16 users to purchase auto renewable subscriptions ..." 17 Yes. Α. 18 Q. If I understand it -- of course many of the kind of news 19 partners who are on the program, like, say, for example, 20 The Times, or maybe even the New York Times, would have their own apps available on the App Store with the 21 22 possibility of a paid subscription; is that not right? Yes. 23 Α.

An app such as the New York Times would otherwise be

paywalled, would it not? You would have to subscribe to

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Q.

- get further than the headline?
- 2 A. They could.
- 3 Q. Yes. There may be different models, of course.
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. But is it right that the way that Apple News works is
- 6 that in a sense it curates sources from different
- 7 sources -- stories from different sources and presents
- 8 them within the app; is that not right?
- 9 A. It does.
- 10 Q. And so, in a sense, promotes those stories, but they are
- 11 just accessible through the app without buying
- 12 a subscription; is that right?
- 13 A. No, I do not think there is a requirement that all of
- 14 the content on one side of the paywall as well as the
- other needs to be there. So, for example, a news
- 16 application like the Wall Street Journal provides some
- 17 content for free on the front end of it and then when
- 18 you subscribe you get added content. I do not think the
- 19 News Partner Program has any requirement that all the
- 20 subscribed content also needs to be available to users
- in the news app, so you can still have your subscription
- 22 model that you want.
- 23 Q. But it may contain some material that would otherwise be
- 24 behind the paywall?
- 25 A. Not otherwise. It is a choice the publisher has, up to

- 1 them.
- 2 Q. So the news app only would include stories that are not
- 3 paywalled; is that right? So, in other words, let us
- 4 stay with the Wall Street Journal.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. The Wall Street Journal has paywalled content, in other
- 7 words behind a paywall, but for all I know, it may have
- 8 some content which you can just read on the website.
- 9 A. Yes, they do.
- 10 Q. Does the news app only include content that is free to
- read on the Wall Street Journal's own website?
- 12 A. Generally. I do think there is programs that the news
- team has with developers for paywall access if the user
- 14 has it as well, and I do not know the details of that.
- 15 Q. So you cannot be sure what the answer is?
- 16 A. No.
- Q. But in any event, what happens is the news app will
- 18 curate some stories from, say, the Wall Street Journal
- 19 and present them in the Apple News feed; that is right,
- 20 is it not?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. That is provided there is also the ability to renew the
- 23 Wall Street Journal in the App Store?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. So this again is another service used by Apple to

- 1 increase the attractiveness of its devices, is it not?
- 2 The news app on Apple is itself a feature to use the
- 3 devices -- to promote the devices?
- 4 A. I have never heard it stated that way or thought of that
- 5 way. It is an application we provide on our device and
- 6 we hope our customers enjoy it.
- 7 Q. You hope your customers enjoy it, meaning that they are
- 8 attracted by the iPhone more strongly than they
- 9 otherwise would be?
- 10 A. They could. Again, I have never heard a connection
- 11 purposely made between the two, but of course they
- 12 could.
- Q. But you do not add features to the iPhone other than in
- 14 the completely rational pursuit of profit, do you?
- Better phone, better sales
- 16 A. No, I would disagree with that. We have many things
- 17 that we do that might be at the expense of profit or
- that might be just for some other greater good or might
- 19 be independent of profit. I do not think it is fair to
- 20 say --
- 21 Q. Fair enough. I will focus my question on the news app.
- 22 A. Yes, please.
- 23 Q. You add the news app to the iPhone to make the iPhone
- 24 more attractive, do you not?
- 25 A. I think you could make that statement. I do not recall

1	anyone ever saying it that way when we worked on it. We
2	worked on it because customers, we thought, would
3	benefit from having a great news source that they could
4	readily get at easily and they would enjoy their iPhone
5	for that, yes.

Q. The more they enjoy the iPhone, the more they want to buy the iPhone, would you agree?

A. Yes, but I think we are -- I want to make sure we are not confused on how this is from a developer's perspective, the addition of the News Partner Program.

This is also true of what we just talked about with Video Partner Program, so the same categories exist.

If you are a news publication, The Economist, you have choices of what you want to do with your business. One choice is you can make a free app and make all your money from advertising and Apple would make no Commission on that. You could make an app where you charge outside the app and not inside the app. That is the Reader Rule, and again Apple would get nothing and there would be no charging in the app. You could have charging in the app for a one-time fee or a subscription, and then Apple gets 30% of the subscription in the first year and 15% on the subsequent year and we added, with the program here, one more choice for these developers. You could choose to get

- 1 15% right upfront if you did extra work to integrate
- with the news application and make it easy for users.
- 3 So these are just a range of business choices that
- 4 we created for developers and it is up to them on which
- one of these they would like to take advantage of.
- 6 Q. Thank you.
- 7 Let us go now back to your witness statement,
- 8 please, at page 57, so this is $\{B2/5/57\}$.
- 9 It is the bottom of the page that we want. We are
- 10 going to talk now about the Small Business Program. Do
- 11 you have that?
- 12 A. Yes, I am there.
- Q. Thank you. What you say here is:
- 14 "After an extended period of consideration, in
- 15 January 2021, Apple launched the App Store Small
- Business Program, which reduced the Commission paid by
- 17 certain developers ..."
- Then there is a press release. It may be helpful
- 19 actually to turn that up.
- It is under tab 67 for you and it is $\{D1/1003/1\}$.
- 21 Sorry, it is volume 5.
- 22 A. Yes, thank you, I am trying to be quick for you.
- Q. I am trying to help you.
- A. You are. I appreciate it, thank you. Tab 67.
- 25 Q. Tab 67 and this again I think comes from your own

- exhibit, which is why it has a different tab name on the
- 2 first page, which we can safely ignore.
- 3 A. Thank you.
- Q. If we go to the second page, {D1/1003/2} would you mind
- just scrolling to the very top of the second page. We
- 6 can see this is the:
- 7 "Apple announces App Store Small Business Program."
- If we go now to the second page, we can see in the
- 9 third line there, the first full paragraph:
- 10 "The App Store Small Business Program ... will
- 11 launch on 1 January ..."
- 12 Is that correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. If we scroll down, we can see what the terms of it are
- 15 at the bottom of that page, same page for you,
- Mr Schiller. It says in the bullet points, that is all
- 17 we need here:
- "Existing developers who made up to US\$1 million in
- 19 2020 for all ... their apps, as well as developers new
- 20 to the App Store, can qualify for the program and the
- 21 reduced Commission.
- "If a participating developer surpasses the
- 23 US\$1 million threshold, the standard Commission rate
- 24 will apply for the remainder of the year."
- 25 So you have to be below the threshold to get in, but

- if you tip over the \$1 million threshold, you are back
- into 30%; is that right?
- 3 A. For the over \$1 million transaction --
- 4 Q. For the sales over 1 million.
- 5 A. Correct.
- Q. It is not a retroactive charge?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 Q. One thing you say in your witness statement, if we go
- back to that at $\{B2/5/58\}$, is you say:
- "A very large ..."
- 11 This is 58(b).
- 12 A. Yes, I see that.
- 13 Q. "A very large percentage of developers who distribute
- paid apps or offer in-app purchases are eligible ..."
- 15 Our expert economist Dr Singer has calculated that
- this is just 3.2% of consumer spend, so it may be a lot
- of developers but it is not much money. Do you have any
- 18 reason to doubt that?
- 19 A. I do not know if that is correct or not.
- Q. That is fine.
- In your statement, you do not give any indication of
- 22 the reasons for this program. Can I go back now,
- 23 please, to {D1/968/1}, which is -- I have just lost the
- tab number momentarily. Yes, it is tab 63, which we
- 25 have been looking at already this afternoon. As we have

Τ		discussed, I am afraid at some length, there is a lot of
2		discussion here of the Wall Street Journal article. If
3		we look above that, because we have looked at that, just
4		looking at the top half of the page, you, Phil Schiller,
5		send the email to Tim Cook:
6		"FYI."
7		Tim Cook's response is apart from a criticism of
8		some detail he thinks might be inaccurate:
9		"What is the latest on our ability to execute the
10		Commission change by January 1?"
11		As we have just seen, January 1, 2021 is the Small
12		Business Program. Your reply is:
13		"I have a meeting this afternoon to discuss the
14		proposal and input from the anti-fraud team. I will let
15		you know where we are"
16		Is this a reference to the Small Business Program?
17	A.	I believe it may be.
18	Q.	Would you agree that part of Mr Cook's response to this
19		discussion of criticism from developers and from
20		regulators is to check on the progress of the Small
21		Business Program?
22	A.	No, I do not think that is fair. This is an article
23		being published about our Commissions at 30%. He
24		already knew we were working on a program for small
25		business developers that would affect most developers to

- 1 be at 15% and he wanted to know the status of that.
- I think it is relative to the topic, but it does not
- 3 imply the way you said it.
- Q. The topic is a lot of criticism, in part because of the
- 5 level of the Commission, is it not?
- 6 A. That is the -- the subject of the story, but that does
- 7 not then mean that that is what his sentence means.
- 8 Q. Let us go now to the Epic v Apple judgment, which for
- 9 you is in volume A2, tab 16. For the EPE it is
- 10 authorities bundle 5, tab 7. {AB5/7/1}. Can we go,
- 11 please, to page 36. Sorry, I may have the wrong part.
- 12 It is page 36 electronically or it is the small
- 13 numbering on the document itself 35. {AB5/7/36} Do you
- have that, Mr Schiller?
- 15 A. Yes, I am open to that document.
- 16 Q. Thank you. Let us see what is said in the
- 17 second-to-last paragraph. This is the judge, who
- 18 summarises some evidence:
- 19 "Apple's implementation of the Small Business
- 20 Program was spurred, in part, by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 21 However, Mr Cook also admitted that 'lawsuits and all
- the rest of the stuff' was 'in the back of [his] head'.
- 23 Mr Schiller similarly testified that the Small Developer
- 24 Program began with a lot of 'commentary' about the
- 25 'App Store's Commission level', but was pushed over the

edge by the pandemic. He too expressly acknowledged

that the current lawsuit helped 'get it done' along with

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you agree?

'scrutiny and criticism ... from around the world'."

- That scrutiny and criticism is both regulators and indeed complainants like we just saw in the email, would
- 7 A. Well, I think both regulators and some of the press are writing stories about that, yes.
- 9 Q. So that was, as it says here, at least part of the spur 10 for the Small Business Program?
- Not for the program. As I said, for getting it done. 11 Α. 12 I had been working with the team for a few years on the 13 program and it was complicated and we just weren't 14 getting it done and I think as I state both the pandemic 15 and the pressure on developers because of the pandemic 16 as well as some of the public discussion of it helped me 17 to push the team to get the work done so that it was 18 completed.
 - Q. Just one moment, please, Mr Schiller.

Can we go now to tab 61 in your bundle, which is

{D1/931/1}. That is bundle A5 for you. Thank you.

Again we will not read out anything confidential. This

is another App Store presentation of the kind we have

already seen but do you think you would have seen this

at the time? It is for financial year 21 focus.

- 1 A. I may have. I do not recall.
- 2 Q. Obviously whoever is presenting it thinks they are
- 3 presenting it to Tim and Luca, which presumably is
- 4 Tim Cook and Luca Maestri?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. What we will see is if we go, please, to page 2,
- 7 {D1/931/2} you see financial year 20 review, financial
- 8 21 focus areas.
- 9 At the bottom of the page, whoever it is who is
- 10 speaking to this says:
- "I wanted to take a moment to recognise the unique
- and challenging times we have all been living through
- 13 these past ... months."
- 14 Of course.
- 15 If we go now, please, to page 10, {D1/931/10} now we
- 16 are getting into confidential material which I am not
- going to read out. Anyway, there is a large number in
- a large box, both large in typeface and large in
- 19 numbers, and that obviously describes underneath what
- 20 kind of thing it is. Then there is some commentary
- 21 underneath it. Could we please read that, in particular
- 22 if we look at the last two lines of that. I do not know
- 23 why this is confidential, but rather than have
- an argument, I will not read it out.
- 25 A. All right, I have read that.

- 1 Q. You have read it, thank you.
- 2 Then if we look at the next slide, please, which has
- 3 got a bit mangled, probably because it is a moving
- 4 graphic, I expect, but we can see the effect of it in
- 5 the text underneath.
- Is the reality not that the period with COVID was
- 7 a real success story for the App Store?
- 8 A. It was, which has nothing to do with the comment I made
- 9 about the Small Business Program. The input to get it
- done was developers who were feeling pressure in their
- 11 business due to the pandemic. I think you are aware
- 12 there were many kinds of businesses that were failing
- during the pandemic, whether they are in the service
- 14 business or other in-person businesses and other things
- that were -- we all learned about.
- 16 Q. Thank you.
- 17 I just have two more short topics to deal with and
- the first one is one where I want to see if you can
- 19 help, even though you have not addressed it in your
- 20 witness statement.
- 21 Are you aware that in 2015 there was a change to the
- 22 price tiers in the App Store in the UK following
- a change to EU VAT law?
- 24 A. I do not recall.
- 25 Q. Okay. So you would not be able to help at all with the

- 1 thinking that went into it at the time?
- 2 A. No. I certainly review all price tier changes, I and
- 3 others approve them on a periodic basis. I understand
- 4 the general process, but any specific individual change,
- 5 I can't recall.
- 6 Q. Okay. Just give me a moment. (Pause)
- 7 So you would not be able to assist with the details
- 8 of what happened on that particular occasion?
- 9 A. I do not believe so.
- 10 Q. Okay, thank you. Well, I will not ask you any more
- about that in that case.
- Just the final thing I wanted to deal with very
- briefly is if we go back to your witness statement,
- please, at page 10, paragraph 38, {B2/5/10} which we
- 15 already looked at, you say -- do you have that up?
- 16 A. I do.
- 17 Q. Thank you. If we just look at the last four lines,
- 18 which we have not looked at before:
- "Apple does not in the ordinary course maintain
- 20 records which allocate specific costs incurred in the
- 21 development of specific products. On the contrary,
- there are many joint costs ..."
- Then if we now go, please, to page 23. $\{B2/5/23\}$
- A. Yes, I am there.
- 25 Q. Thank you, you are a little ahead of me. If we look at

- 1 paragraph 80, you say:
- 2 "There is no reliable way to identify all costs
- 3 associated with running the App Store."
- 4 Again you say they are incurred jointly.
- 5 Yesterday you said that you are not in the
- 6 accounting or finance team. That is correct, is it not?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 Q. You probably know that we have been exploring these
- 9 matters with Mr Parekh, the CFO?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Indeed there is going to be expert evidence on this as
- 12 well --
- 13 A. Okay.
- Q. -- next week. But I am simply going to put my case to
- 15 you that we do not accept the propositions that you have
- 16 advanced here.
- 17 A. I am sorry about that. I have a great deal of knowledge
- of this, of why I said what I said, and it involves the
- fact that I worked at Apple previous to 1997, before
- 20 Mr Jobs came back, where we did maintain separate P&Ls
- 21 for divisions at Apple and we did try to work under
- a model where we had much more detailed per-product
- 23 accounting of costs across the company to generate
- 24 profits and loss, and I was not in finance or accounting
- 25 then either, but I had to work in a system where we had

- things like chargebacks, we had separate sales and
 marketing teams per division and people fought over
 those people, and separate engineering, and we were
 highly ineffective. In fact, I believe, we lost -- the
 last year of that system we lost \$2 billion as
- So when Mr Jobs came back and merged us into one

 P&L, I have tremendous knowledge on the change it made

 in how we work and the reality of how we became one P&L

 for the company and how that benefited the methodologies

 we have today.
- So I have, from my business perspective, I believe,
 a great deal of knowledge and experience of both when we
 did attempt to do it and why we changed and how that
 change affected the company.
 - Q. I will not go back through this with you, but we did in fact put to Mr Parekh a number of P&Ls for the App Store from Apple's disclosure.
- A. I, as the person managing the business of the App Store,
 never review (inaudible) and P&Ls. I do not look at
 profit; I look at billings and downloads and accounts,
 but not profits.
- MR WARD: Thank you. Just one moment.

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24 Thank you very much, Mr Schiller. We have no 25 further questions for you.

- 1 A. Thank you very much.
- 2 Re-examination by MS DEMETRIOU
- 3 MS DEMETRIOU: Mr Schiller, just a few short topics.
- 4 Just thinking back to yesterday's questions, you
- 5 were asked some questions about a switching cost, do you
- 6 remember, and consumer lock-in, and it was suggested to
- 7 you by Mr Hoskins that it is expensive for iOS Device
- 8 Users to switch to Android. Do you remember that
- 9 discussion?
- 10 A. Yes, I do.
- 11 Q. It was suggested that Apple had a strategy of making it
- 12 difficult. The documents that you were shown by
- Mr Hoskins on that issue came from 2013 and I want to go
- back to one of them. It is at $\{D1/235/1\}$. I do not
- have your references, I am afraid, so we are just going
- 16 to be able to look at it on screen. I am sorry, because
- I do not know the hard copy references to your bundle.
- 18 It may not be in there.
- 19 A. That is okay, I see it on the screen and I recall this
- 20 document from yesterday and previous.
- 21 Q. Thank you. It is the Goldman Sachs note and it looked
- 22 at one user's switching cost from iOS to Android.
- 23 If we go to page 3 and if you look at the first
- 24 bullet, you can see that the first bullet identifies the
- 25 explicit switching costs as being almost \$80. Do you

- 1 see that?
- 2 A. I do.
- 3 Q. Can you see that one component of that was
- a \$25 subscription to iTunes Match?
- 5 A. Yes.
- Q. What is that, first of all?
- 7 A. It was a previous system under iTunes. iTunes as
- 8 a music program was an application where you bought
- 9 individual songs, so it was not a subscription program,
- it was not a streaming program as we have now with
- 11 Apple Music. So in those days you would buy a song or
- buy an album.
- 13 If you had already purchased an album, you could
- 14 have iTunes match your music to that album and you would
- 15 not have to pay for them individually because you
- already bought it, you had the CD. It is a program that
- 17 the iTunes team worked on with music companies. The
- rights to be able to do that cost \$24.99, and we
- 19 remitted some amount of that to music companies, so this
- 20 was a feature that we used to have for matching music
- 21 that you did not have to pay for individually, which is
- 22 all of it irrelevant now in the streaming music days.
- 23 Q. So is it a cost that someone switching today would need
- 24 to incur?
- 25 A. No.

- 1 Q. The note also refers to about \$50 worth of paid apps
- that need to be replicated on Android. Do you see that?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. So, at the end of that first bullet point.
- I want to take you now to a chart in the expert
- 6 report of Prof Hitt, who is one of the experts retained
- by Apple in these proceedings {C3/4/43}. I will just
- give you a moment to look at the chart. In fact,
- 9 I think one of my learned friends showed you this during
- 10 your cross-examination. You can see that the chart
- shows different transaction types: free download, paid
- download and IAP over time, yes?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Can you comment, please, on what has happened to the
- 15 prevalence of apps that you had to pay to download since
- 16 2013?
- 17 A. They've become extremely small to the point of almost
- not visible.
- 19 Q. So can you comment on how the cost of replacing apps for
- 20 someone switching to Android might have developed since
- 21 2013?
- 22 A. I believe, for the vast majority, it has minimised to
- 23 near nothing. Applications either are not paid for
- 24 upfront or they are available on both and you can log in
- and get what you already paid for because now there are

- 1 cross-platform Multiplatform Rules on all platforms. So
- 2 I think that category has, for reasonable assumption,
- 3 gone away.
- 4 Q. Thank you.
- 5 You gave evidence yesterday about Apple's efforts to
- 6 encourage developers to use subscriptions and the
- 7 question for now is: do subscriptions lock users into
- 8 iOS or can they be carried over to Android when
- 9 switching?
- 10 A. The majority of apps that I am aware of that offer
- 11 subscriptions are offered on both iOS and Android, and
- 12 all of the ones I am aware of require the user to have
- an identity in their app and tie that identity to their
- subscription, so they can use that subscription on any
- 15 platform they want to use the app on.
- 16 Q. Thank you.
- So, as a general matter, can you comment on the
- 18 position in relation to switching now as compared with
- 19 2013, and so by that I mean how relatively difficult or
- 20 easy is it now compared to 2013?
- 21 A. It is my opinion that over time, whatever barriers no
- 22 matter how small they may be to switching have
- 23 diminished over time rather than increased, that for the
- 24 most part the things that you pay for, there are easier
- 25 ways to pay for them that are multiplatform now, that

more developers have moved to subscription models and
want those subscriptions to work wherever the user is,
and that many of those applications also have log-ons so
that you can get on, and even if none of that were true,
the user could cancel the subscription and not have to
pay if they did not want to, if they valued the switch.

So I think, for the most part, switching has gotten easier for the user over time.

Q. Thank you. That was topic 1. I am moving to topic 2.

Can we go to yesterday's transcript at page 75

{Day6/75} and it is the very bottom of the page that

I want to look at. It should come up on the screen for you.

You were asked yesterday whether the one document you referred to in your statement that discussed Microsoft Xbox and Nintendo was the best document that you could come up with to support your point that Apple competes with those platforms, and if you look at the bottom of the page you can see the question. So you had referred to one document and then Mr Hoskins said:

"Question: This is the only evidence that you exhibit to your statement to suggest that Apple competes with companies like Microsoft Xbox and Nintendo, is it not? It is this one document?

"Answer: This is the one I reference when I am

- 1 saying that ...
- 2 "Question: So this is the best one you could come
- 3 up with to support your point?
- 4 "Answer: I am not sure. I think if I thought about
- 5 other documents ... I could see what else I could find."
- 6 Obviously we do not have time to go through them
- 7 all, but I want to show you a couple of documents and
- 8 see if they are the sorts of documents you had in mind
- 9 when you said that.
- If we can go to $\{D1/85/1\}$, please, we can see from
- 11 page 1, you looked at this document yesterday. That it
- is the transcript of the iPhoneOS 4 launch. If we go to
- page 11 and to the very bottom of the page, could you
- 14 read to yourself the bottom paragraph, the final
- paragraph on that page.
- 16 A. Yes, I have read that.
- 17 Q. Do you have any comments to make about that? Is that
- 18 the sort of document you had in mind?
- 19 A. Yes, that is an example of many mentions of competitors
- 20 that have occurred through the years that we could find
- 21 if we were doing a search for them whether it is in
- 22 public events, whether in presentations, whether in
- analysis documents, whether in emails, I am sure we
- 24 would find many examples.
- Q. Thank you, Mr Schiller.

Let me just show you one more, {D1/732/1}. We can
see from the first page that this is an Apple Arcade
worldwide pricing slide deck. Can you first of all
explain to the Tribunal what is Apple Arcade?

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A. Yes. Apple Arcade is a service run on the App Store.

We have many, many games users can get directly on the

App Store for downloading and paying for games. Most of

all those games have become what is called freemium,

they are free to download and then the user pays with

in-app purchase.

11 We saw an opportunity with some game developers that 12 they wanted to offer their games without having to use 13 freemium, so people could just play and not worry about constantly paying for things while they play, so we 14 15 built a service called Apple Arcade, where developers 16 can be in this offering, the user pays a flat monthly 17 Commission and then can play all the games without 18 having any in-app purchase requirements. That is called 19 Apple Arcade. So it is a service we run. The games are 20 all from developers on the App Store.

- Q. Thank you. I would like to turn to page 2 {D1/732/1}, please.
- THE CHAIRMAN: What is the date of this document? Do we have a date for this document?
- 25 MS DEMETRIOU: I will come back to that, sir.

- 1 Could I just ask you, Mr Schiller, to read page 2 to
- 2 yourself. (Pause)
- 3 A. I have read that.
- Q. I am looking, for example, under "Approach", you see
- 5 that there is first main bullet that starts "Proposed
- 6 prices" and there are a number of sub-bullets and
- 7 I would like you to explain briefly how Apple went about
- 8 choosing a price for the Apple Arcade subscription.
- 9 A. The team working on the proposal for pricing considered
- 10 prices compared to competitive services on competitive
- 11 products, and there are a bunch mentioned that are in
- 12 pink, so I will not name them out loud --
- 13 Q. Yes.
- 14 A. -- but we did compare that pricing to other devices and
- 15 services.
- 16 Q. Thank you very much.
- 17 Sir, the date is 20 August 2019 of this document.
- 18 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
- 19 DR BISHOP: May I ask a question about this?
- 20 MS DEMETRIOU: Of course.
- 21 DR BISHOP: The number of games that is given, I cannot
- 22 (inaudible), the number of games that is given there,
- 23 these were games from partners, not Apple-owned games;
- is that right?
- 25 A. None were from Apple. They were all from developer

- 1 partners.
- 2 DR BISHOP: Did developers want to get into this program or
- 3 did they -- was there competition to get in? Was
- 4 there -- I mean, did you have to ration the number in
- 5 some way?
- 6 A. It is a little complicated, sir. First, the whole idea
- 7 started with some developers who wanted us to create
- 8 something like this and work with our team, so
- 9 developers wanted this.
- 10 There are -- part of the program is that Apple has
- a relationship with helping the developer create the
- game, so we work together on it. We get a number of
- submissions and proposals from developers. Not all are
- 14 accepted, some are, some aren't, so there is competition
- for it in that way. But we also go out and pitch ideas
- 16 to game developers and say: would you like to be in
- 17 this? Here's a great idea and here's the economics from
- 18 being in it.
- 19 So that is my long answer, sir, for explaining there
- are both. There are developers competing to get into it
- 21 and then we are out trying to suggest to developers that
- it would be great for them to join in.
- 23 DR BISHOP: And what about the fee the user pays, the
- 24 consumer pays? Is that all just Apple revenue or is
- 25 that in some sense shared or is there a sharing formula?

- 1 A. There is a formula. The way it is structured $\operatorname{--}$ and
- I will not be specific because I believe it is
- 3 confidential on the numbers -- but the developer -- we
- 4 pay a fee for the cost of developing the game for most
- 5 of them -- I say "most" because a few have already been
- 6 developed, but for the majority that are not, they are
- 7 original to the service, and we pay the entire cost to
- 8 develop it all from Apple.
- 9 DR BISHOP: Oh.
- 10 A. Then we charge the user a monthly fee, I believe it is
- 11 6.99 per month per family, that is a family rate, and
- 12 then the developers can earn an additional amount beyond
- the development cost as a bonus pool, so we set up
- 14 a certain amount of that user revenue goes back into
- a pool, and depending on the popularity of their game,
- they'll earn a pullback, and sometimes a quite large
- 17 sum.
- DR BISHOP: I see. It is quite complex and a special study
- in itself.
- 20 A. It is, but some of the benefits -- families love it
- 21 because there is no in-app purchasing to worry or think
- 22 about, to teach your child about. No advertising is
- allowed, so nobody is making money from ads and your
- 24 kids aren't getting ads, and they've all been approved
- 25 by Apple to make sure they are safe and good for

- 1 families.
- 2 DR BISHOP: Thank you.
- 3 A. You are welcome.
- 4 MS DEMETRIOU: Thank you.
- 5 Mr Schiller, a very short next topic. If we could
- go to $\{D1/644/28\}$ -- so again this will come up on your
- 7 screen -- do you remember that you were asked about this
- 8 yesterday and Mr Hoskins suggested to you that the
- 9 reference to [Redacted] was to in-app purchases, do you
- 10 remember that?
- 11 A. Vaguely. I am sorry, I do not remember the exact
- 12 discussion back and forth on that.
- 13 Q. Sorry, I just read out something in pink which
- 14 I shouldn't have read out. If we look at the last
- 15 bullet point and we see at the end -- we see then "not
- just the app itself but", and then there is a phrase
- 17 which I just read out, and it was suggested to you that
- that meant in-app purchases. What you said was that you
- 19 did not see it that way and you wondered whether it
- 20 might have been a reference to something else called
- In-App Events. Do you remember that?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Then if we go forward two pages to page 30 $\{D1/644/30\}$,
- 24 which you were not shown, do you see that slide? I just
- 25 wondered whether in light of this slide, there was

- 1 anything else you wanted to say about this?
- 2 A. Well, I think that just validates what I was stating
- 3 yesterday, that my interpretation of that content about
- 4 what Apple's involvement is in the process later on was
- 5 referring to this concept called -- that we were
- 6 creating called In-App Events, where we could more
- 7 directly help the developer publish and market to users
- 8 what are called In-App Events and that those can then be
- 9 used to help generate more revenue for developers and
- 10 that that was the concept we were working on.
- 11 Q. Thank you, Mr Schiller.
- 12 This is the last topic and it arises from something
- today, so if we can go to today's [draft] transcript at
- 14 page 21, and you were asked about a publication on
- 15 Apple's -- sorry, we need to -- it is not up on the
- screen, so today's transcript, page 21. This morning's.
- 17 Thank you. Yes, that is it.
- You were asked about a publication on Apple's
- 19 website on May 29, 2019. Can I just ask you just to
- 20 refresh your memory of the topic. So if you read this
- 21 page and then on to page 22, line 14. Perhaps when you
- 22 finish this page, just indicate and we can turn to the
- next one.
- A. Yes, we can turn to the next one. (Pause)
- Yes, I have read that page.

- 1 Q. Mr Ward asked you about how the document was prepared
- 2 and he took you to an email exchange you had with
- 3 Ms Huguet. We can see that referred to there at
- 4 line 11. Do you see that? You were taken to an email
- 5 thread.
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. This continues, if we go over the page, to page 23. Can
- 8 you just remind yourself of all of this.
- 9 A. Okay, I see that.
- 10 Q. Then if we go on to page 24, perhaps read this page and
- 11 then 25 up to line 10 so you have the whole of the
- 12 evidence. (Pause)
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And then if you go up to line 10 of page 25, please.
- 15 (Pause)
- 16 A. I have read that.
- 17 Q. So you will see that the point that Mr Ward was putting
- 18 to you was that Ms Huguet had suggested removing some
- 19 text from the draft because it was about Apple earning
- 20 money from the App Store, and I just want to take you to
- 21 the email from Ms Huguet that Mr Ward put to you,
- $\{D1/705/7\}$ at the bottom of the page.
- 23 A. Would you like me to open it in the binder?
- Q. I think it is probably easier just to keep it on screen,
- 25 if that is okay with you.

- 1 A. Okay.
- 2 Q. You see the email from her at the bottom of the page.
- 3 You were shown this by Mr Ward. It goes over onto the
- 4 next page, so perhaps we can put the next page up too.
- 5 You see at the top of that page she says:
- $"\dots$ I again removed at the end the point about the
- 7 app store earning the most money."
- 8 A. I see that.
- 9 Q. You said that you could not recall the exchange. Now,
- 10 Mr Ward did not show you any of the drafts of this
- 11 statement and I would like to show you a draft just to
- see if it assists. If we look at a draft, which is at
- 13 $\{D1/701/1\}$, please, this is an email from you to
- 14 a series of people including Ms Huguet; do you see that?
- 15 A. Yes.
- Q. And the subject is, "Updated App Store Brief", and then
- 17 we see that you said this:
- "For those interested, the previous App Store Story
- document that was sent around at the end of the last
- 20 week has been updated and follows below.
- 21 "It includes numerous tweaks (thanks everyone for
- the edits) and a draft of an additional 4th section
- 23 called 'We complete everyday'. I hope this new section
- 24 helps communicate some simple and important points about
- 25 the fierce competition we face in the smartphone and

1 App Store space." 2 The text that follows is quite lengthy, and I really want to show you page 4 {D1/701/4} under the heading, 3 "We complete everyday", which is at the bottom of the 4 5 page. It looks from your email that this is a section you added in. Could you just read that, 6 7 please. Yes, if we could go to the next page. 8 If we could go to the next page $\{D1/701/5\}$. (Pause) 9 Q. 10 We can stop before "Conclusion". (Pause) Yes, I have read that last part. 11 Α. 12 So that last part, exactly, is the part that I wanted to Ο. 13 direct your attention to. If we then go to the version of the document that was actually published, this is at 14 15 {D1/1771/1}, Mr Ward showed you parts of this document 16 but not the part relating to the questions he asked you 17 about Ms Huguet's email. If we go to page 9 {D1/1771/9} 18 of this document at the bottom: "We believe competition makes everything better ..." 19 20 And then over the page {D1/1771/10}: 21 "We also care about quality over quantity, and trust 22 over transactions. That's why, even though other stores 23 have more users and more app downloads, the App Store 24 earns more money for developers. Our users trust

Apple -- and that trust is critical to how we

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1 operate ..." 2 So you see the point being made there the App Store 3 earns more money for developers. 4 If we return to the question that Mr Ward was 5 putting to you and go back to your email exchanges with Ms Huguet, so $\{D1/705/1\}$, do you see that at 3.36 -- so 6 7 I think we have to go down a bit, please -- it may be that my reference is wrong, just give me a moment. 8 $\{D1/705/7\}$, thank you. 9 10 So your email at 3.36, you say: 11 "Two quick notes on this version." 12 Can I ask you to look at the second of those notes: 13 "I think it would be good to keep the section at the end that says we 'care about quality over quantity and 14 15 trust over transactions'." 16 So having seen the text of your draft and the 17 document as released, can I ask you if you want to say 18 anything more about Mr Ward's question? He asked you if 19 you recalled the exchange you had with Ms Huguet, and 20 looking at the full set of documents relating to this 21 now, what do you, to the best of your recollection, say 22 was going on here? 23 A. Well, I believe it validates what I said earlier, which 24 was that the comment about the section that she did not

want to include about the App Store making money was in

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Τ	fact the section that I had previously included in the
2	draft where we talked about how the App Store, while
3	being smaller than the Android Google Play Store, earns
4	more money for developers, and that was the point we
5	were discussing at that section that I was being
6	questioned on.
7	MS DEMETRIOU: Thank you very much, Mr Schiller. I do not
8	have any further questions in re-examination. It may be
9	that the Tribunal has some questions for you.
10	Questions by THE TRIBUNAL
11	MR FRAZER: Mr Schiller, I just have one short question to
12	make sure I have understood your evidence correctly and
13	it is on this morning's [draft] transcript at page 40.
14	Waiting for that to come up. Thank you. You can see
15	round about line 15, we were talking about the program
16	fee of £79 paid by developers, which is the only thing
17	they pay if their apps were not paid-for apps or there
18	was no in-app purchase. Mr Ward said:
19	"Question: You provide all of this, all of these
20	benefits [that was the tools and the other benefits] to
21	free apps for £79 per developer for the reason we
22	already discussed, that the free apps help you sell
23	devices, do they not?"
24	And your answer was:
25	"Answer: Yes. Not only that, there are other

1 reasons as well, but that is included."

I wonder if you could just expand on what those other reasons were as well, please.

A. Yes, sir.

When we created the program for developers and for the App Store, we created the whole infrastructure, number one, to help developers to create better apps than were possible without all the APIs we created and all the tools. They may also benefit that users want our products but we also like enabling developers and helping them to do great things, even if it cannot be shown that it drives device sales of our product. We care about that whole ecosystem just being better.

We care about privacy and security for users, so much of what we have built and we have made available to developers helps protect them in their business to make sure there aren't fraudulent transactions on them, help protect our users from fraudulent transactions.

Again, it could be argued that there is a connection between that and device sales, but it is not what is in our mind. We think there is actually a benefit to protecting our users and keeping them safe. We think there is a benefit to helping developers create better experience for users, even if it does not drive up sales. It may, but that is not the only reason. They

- 1 are not always correlated.
- 2 I think we have also tried to create whole new
- 3 markets and opportunities for developers, even if it
- doesn't drive direct sales of our business. For
- 5 example, there are whole classes of business that have
- 6 created because of the App Store things like Airbnb and
- 7 new ways to do lodging. Apple gets no revenue from any
- 8 of those developers. They are physical transactions.
- 9 We have talked about Lyft and Uber. So again, they are
- 10 physical transactions, so Apple gets no benefit from
- 11 those.
- 12 Whether they drive any device sales, we have never
- tried to measure or correlate. If they did, great, but
- even if they did not, we still want to do that and
- enable those capabilities.
- So I think there are many reasons for these programs
- 17 and these tools and making them available to all
- developers, whether or not we can connect those to our
- 19 own business. We have never even attempted to ask that
- 20 question.
- 21 MR FRAZER: Thank you, that is clear.
- 22 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much, Mr Schiller. That is
- your evidence finished. It's been very helpful. You
- 24 are released as a witness.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.

1	(The witness was released)
2	THE CHAIRMAN: Ms Demetriou, what happens next?
3	MS DEMETRIOU: Mr Federighi is not available this afternoon
4	because we were told yesterday by Mr Hoskins that
5	Mr Ward had said he needed the full day.
6	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.
7	MS DEMETRIOU: So there was no message that was sent through
8	to suggest that Mr Federighi might be needed so he is
9	not available this afternoon.
10	I understand from my learned friends that there is
11	a prospect that they may not need the full day with
12	Mr Federighi tomorrow, in which case Mr Howell can start
13	tomorrow.
14	THE CHAIRMAN: So that is the plan. If we run a bit short
15	tomorrow we will see if we can make a start with
16	Mr Howell?
17	MR KENNEDY: I think that is quite likely, sir.
18	THE CHAIRMAN: There is a little bit of I am looking at
19	the timetable here. Obviously we have got them all
20	back, we have the experts back on Monday and Tuesday,
21	but I am particularly bothered that if Mr Howell takes
22	longer for whatever reason, then we just end up being
23	behind from the start next week, which is not very
24	great. So I think if we can do that, it is helpful.
25	MR KENNEDY: Absolutely. We will endeavour to do so, sir.

1	THE CHAIRMAN: Of course, it all rather depends on how long
2	you take. Who is doing that tomorrow?
3	MR KENNEDY: Me, sir.
4	THE CHAIRMAN: You are in charge of that. Okay, that is
5	good.
6	Just so you know, did I say I will not be able to
7	start until 11 o'clock on Thursday, so you have got
8	that, but if we find ways to make that time up, we will
9	find it somewhere during the day, but I do not think we
10	want to sit particularly long on Thursday afternoon,
11	maybe be a bit longer, but certainly not past 5 o'clock
12	just so that is clear.
13	Good. Is there anything else we need to do today?
14	No?
15	MR KENNEDY: Sorry, sir, a question from behind me. Is it
16	an 11.00 or 11.30 start on Thursday?
17	THE CHAIRMAN: It is an 11 o'clock start on Thursday.
18	MR KENNEDY: Thank you, sir.
19	THE CHAIRMAN: Otherwise, it is 10.30 tomorrow.
20	(3.04 pm)
21	(The hearing adjourned until 10.30 am
22	on Wednesday, 22 January 2025)
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