



Wickr Transparency Report

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Our Philosophy:

The human rights to private communication and free speech are at the core of our mission at Wickr. These values drive every technical and policy decision we make as a company. That is the reason why Wickr's communication platform was designed using our patented technology to function as a zero-knowledge system.

Our encryption technology is created to be accessible and available to anyone in the world because we believe that everyone's conversations and transactions deserve the best security possible — be they human rights activists, aid workers, law enforcement, children, journalists, or financial and educational institutions. Our users trust us to secure their communication and protect their right to privacy and we take this responsibility seriously.

To defend free speech and privacy at the international level, we were recently joined by the Human Rights Foundation to submit an [advocacy paper](#) on the use of encryption and anonymity in digital communication to the [UN Special Rapporteur](#) on the protection and promotion of the right to freedom of opinion and expression.

Today, alongside [major civil liberties organizations](#), Wickr welcomes the UN Human Rights Council [resolution](#) appointing a Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy. We see it as a critical step taken by the international community to ensure that the right to privacy is protected across the globe by states and private corporations.

With a record number of major security breaches [reported](#) last year, Wickr believes it is critical for all — governments, technology industry and users around the world — to demand bold and innovative thinking around developing privacy and security safeguards across global systems. We strongly advocate exploring new business models that strengthen users' privacy and security instead of exploiting their trust. Wickr's team of world-class encryption experts is proud to have built a platform to protect any complex communication flows from being compromised and exposed. We believe in a privacy by design approach, using encryption as a default means to protect our basic human rights to privacy and free expression.

Government Requests:

Wickr is committed to [sharing](#) the number and types of requests for user information we receive from the government and how we handle them. Below you can find more detailed information about how many government requests Wickr received and processed.

Reporting Period	Country	Government Requests	Accounts Associated
October 1, 2014 – March 25, 2015	Non-United States	0	0
	United States	0	0
	Request Type:		
	Search Warrant	0	0
	Court Orders	0	0
	Subpoenas	0	0
	National Security Requests	0	0

Action to Date:

As of the date of this report, Wickr has not yet received a FISA request to keep any secrets that are not in this transparency report as part of a national security order. Our ability to make such a statement is proof positive that Wickr is a safe mode of communication. Should this language disappear, that will no longer be the case.

Wickr Forecast:

More and more security vulnerabilities will become exposed, including exploitive practices of many corporations collecting massive amount of intimate personal information on billions of users around the world. Our strong hope is that an increased awareness across industries and continents will empower innovation, leading to higher security and privacy standards not only in banking, healthcare and education, but in our day-to-day personal communication. Wickr's platform that has served nearly a billion of encrypted private messages in almost every country in the world is designed to do precisely that — provide safeguards to secure data and protect human rights to privacy and free expression.