

For good and valuable consideration, including the consideration exchanged between Google and Publisher (the "**Parties**" and, individually, a "**Party**") in their voluntary license agreement concerning Google's YouTube services in the United States (such agreement, the "**YouTube US Agreement**", and such services, the "**YouTube US Services**"), the sufficiency which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows (the "**Letter Agreement**"):

1. Solely with respect to payments made by Google/YouTube to the MLC under 17 U.S.C. 115 ("**Section 115**") during the Relevant Period (as defined below), Publisher shall not bring any suit (or assist any third party in bringing a suit) against Google directly arising from Google/YouTube's current practice of calculating its liability under Section 115 by allocating as between (i) the content on the current YouTube US service that is eligible for statutory licensing under Section 115 and (ii) the content on the current YouTube US Services that is not eligible for licensing under Section 115 in a manner to avoid the double payment of royalties under applicable regulations and the Parties' YouTube US Agreement.
2. Nothing in this Letter Agreement is or shall be deemed to be a statement or an agreement regarding the law or an agreement with respect to Google's or YouTube's obligations under the law or under any relevant regulations. Nothing herein constitutes an admission or statement by either Party as to what may or may not be permitted under Section 115 or its implementing regulations, and the agreement in Paragraph 1 is limited to and made solely by Publisher. All other rights and objections are expressly reserved. Further, nothing in this Letter Agreement shall prevent Publisher from asserting, challenging, supporting, or encouraging, financially or otherwise, any claim, allegation, action, demand, proceeding or suit against Google for any reason other than specifically set forth above.
3. The Parties acknowledge and agree that this Letter Agreement shall be confidential and non-precedential, and shall not be used, offered, produced or testified about (including by any fact or expert witness) in any legal proceeding, including without limitation any Copyright Royalty Board or other rate proceeding, or used or offered as a precedent or benchmark in any claim, allegation, action, demand, proceeding or suit at any time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, either Party may disclose this Letter Agreement (i) to assert or defend its rights under this Letter Agreement, or to enforce the Letter Agreement's terms, (ii) to The MLC, with Publisher's consent (not to be unreasonably withheld), pursuant to a confidentiality agreement entered into between the disclosing party and The MLC, solely for purposes of informing The MLC of the Parties' agreement as set forth herein, or (iii) if either Party is compelled pursuant to legal process to produce this Letter Agreement to any third party, including the Copyright Royalty Board, provided that the producing Party shall promptly notify the other Party of such production and the Parties will cooperate to object to such production.
4. "**Relevant Period**" means the period commencing on January 1, 2021 and ending on December 31, 2027.
5. This Letter Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument. This letter agreement shall be binding on the Parties and their respective personal and legal representatives, successors, and permitted assigns.



Entered and agreed to by and between the Parties on August 31, 2022.

**“Google”**

**“Publisher”**

**Google LLC**

**Sony Music Publishing (US) LLC**

  
Philipp Schindler  
Authorized Signatory

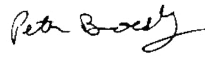
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