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Position: Co-founder, Chairman and CEO of Meta Platforms **Reporting to:** Board of Directors and Shareholders

一、 Annual Work Overview (Executive Summary)

As Co-founder, Chairman and CEO of Meta Platforms, I have successfully led the company through another transformative year while maintaining our position as the world's largest social media platform. With my current net worth at \$220 billion as of December 2025, I continue to demonstrate exceptional value creation for shareholders and stakeholders. This year marked significant strategic pivots in our approach to content moderation, political neutrality, and technological innovation, positioning Meta for sustained growth in an evolving regulatory landscape.

Side view of Zuckerberg smiling and wearing a suit with a striped tie_(cropped).jpg

Figure 1: Side view of Zuckerberg smiling and wearing a suit with a striped tie_(cropped).jpg

二、 Key Performance Indicators (Key Performance Highlights)

Achievement 1: Strategic Platform Integration and User Growth

I successfully orchestrated the integration of end-to-end encrypted systems across our three major platforms - Facebook, Instagram, and WhatsApp. The August 2020 integration of chat systems for Instagram and Messenger on both iOS and Android devices has dramatically increased cross-platform engagement. By July 2010, I had already guided Facebook to reach the critical 500-million-user milestone, establishing our dominance in the social media ecosystem.

Achievement 2: Global Market Expansion and Diplomatic Leadership

I personally led strategic international expansion efforts, including high-level diplomatic meetings with world leaders. My October 2012 meeting with Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev in Moscow resulted in establishing our research center presence in Russia, despite the competitive landscape where VK held 34 million users compared to our 9 million at the time. I demonstrated exceptional cross-cultural leadership by delivering presentations in Mandarin Chinese at Tsinghua University in Beijing, showcasing our commitment to global markets.

Achievement 3: Visionary Innovation and Industry Recognition

I maintained our innovation leadership through institutionalizing hackathons every six to eight weeks, personally participating in these creative sessions that produced breakthrough features. My vision of "moving



Figure 2: Mark Zuckerberg with a laptop, facing the camera



Figure 3: Zuckerberg and Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev during their meeting at the Russian leader's residence outside Moscow, October 1, 2012

fast and breaking things" has become industry standard. I was consistently recognized as a top global innovator, being named to MIT Technology Review's TR35 list and ranking #1 on Vanity Fair's Top 100 "most influential people of the Information Age" in 2010.



Figure 4: Waist high portrait of man in his twenties, looking into the camera and gesturing with both hands, wearing a black pullover shirt that says "The North Face" and wearing identification on a white band hanging from his neck

三. Core Project Deep Dive (Deep Dive)

Situation: Facing the unprecedented challenge of the Facebook-Cambridge Analytica data scandal in 2018, our company's reputation and user trust were at critical risk.

Task: I needed to personally address Congressional oversight, restore public confidence, and implement comprehensive privacy reforms while maintaining business continuity.

Action: I testified before the United States Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation over two days (April 10-11, 2018), taking full responsibility and outlining our corrective measures. I characterized the situation as "a breach of trust between Aleksandr Kogan, Cambridge Analytica, and Facebook," while simultaneously implementing robust new privacy protocols. During the 2021 House Energy and Commerce Committee hearing, I acknowledged Facebook's responsibility in combating misinformation and outlined concrete steps for policy improvements.

Result: Successfully navigated the crisis while maintaining platform growth and implementing industry-leading privacy standards. My direct, transparent approach during Congressional testimony helped stabilize investor confidence and demonstrated executive accountability under extreme pressure.

四、Shortcomings and Reflections (Critical Reflection)

I acknowledge that my initial resistance to certain teenage mental health improvement proposals on Instagram, as revealed in recent court documents, represents an area where I could have acted more swiftly in prioritizing user wellbeing over growth metrics. In my August 2024 letter to the House Judiciary Committee, I expressed regret about not doing more to resist Biden administration pressure regarding COVID-19 content moderation. These experiences have reinforced my commitment to making more balanced decisions that consider both business objectives and societal impact.

The 2017 Hawaiian land ownership controversy taught me the importance of understanding local customs and legal frameworks before proceeding with major initiatives. I took immediate corrective action by dropping the lawsuits and working with local communities to reach fair resolutions.

五、Future Strategic Planning (Strategic Outlook)

Moving into 2026, I am positioning Meta for the next phase of growth through strategic realignment with the incoming Trump administration. My January 2025 statement - "We now have a U.S. administration that is proud of our leading companies, prioritizes American technology winning and that will defend our values and interests abroad" - reflects our new collaborative approach to regulatory relationships.

Key strategic priorities include: - Leveraging the \$1 million donation to Trump-related funds to establish favorable regulatory positioning - Continuing our \$25 billion investment in the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative to advance human potential and scientific research - Expanding our global footprint while maintaining American technological leadership - Integrating lessons learned from content moderation challenges to build more balanced platform policies

My evolution from progressive activism to a more libertarian/classical liberal approach reflects the mature leadership perspective necessary for guiding a global technology platform in an increasingly complex political environment.



Figure 5: With then-President Donald Trump at the White House in September 2019

Performance Summary: This year demonstrated my continued ability to navigate complex challenges while delivering exceptional shareholder value and positioning Meta for sustained global leadership in the technology sector.