

NSO Group Technologies is an Israeli technology firm primarily known for its proprietary spyware Pegasus, which is capable of remote zero-click surveillance of smartphones. It was founded in 2010 by Niv Karmi, Omri Lavie, and Shalev Hulio. It employed almost 500 people as of 2017, and is based in Herzliya, near Tel Aviv, Israel. NSO Group is a subsidiary of the Q Cyber Technologies group of companies.

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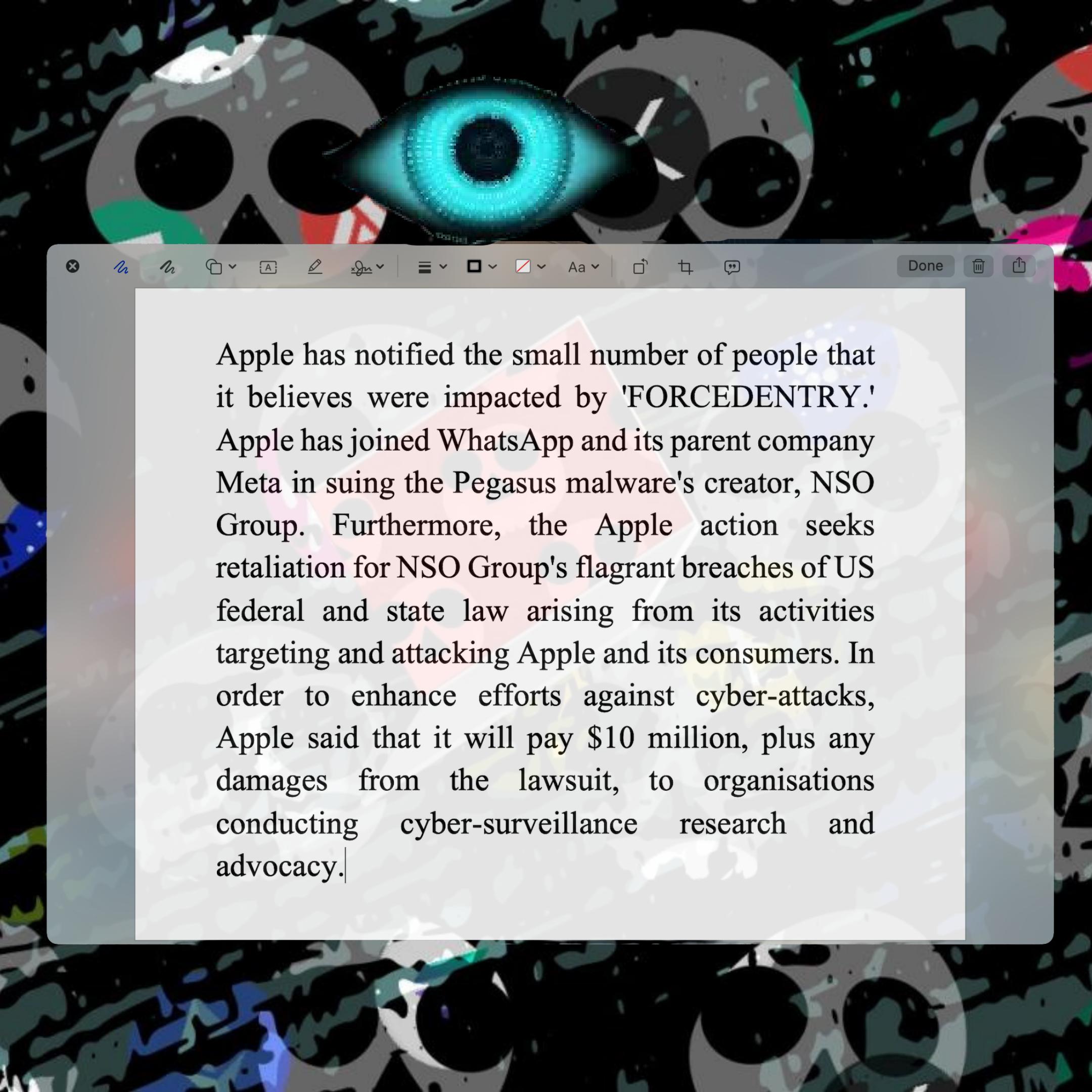
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Apple has filed a lawsuit against NSO Group, the Israeli firm responsible for the infamous Pegasus software, demanding a permanent injunction barring NSO Group from accessing any Apple services or devices. According to the firm, a limited number of its users may have been targeted by an NSO Group exploit to install Pegasus on Apple devices. "State-sponsored entities, like the NSO Group, spend millions of dollars on advanced surveillance technology without being held accountable," said Craig Federighi, Apple's senior vice president of software engineering.

Apple devices are among the safest consumer electronics on the market, but private companies that produce government-sponsored malware have become far more dangerous. Apple's complaint adds to the body of knowledge concerning NSO Group's 'FORCEDENTRY,' which was previously used to break into a victim's Apple device and install the newest version of NSO Group's spyware, Pegasus, using an exploit for a now-patched vulnerability. The Citizen Lab, a University of Toronto research group, was the first to identify the problem. A tiny number of Apple consumers throughout the world were infected with harmful software thanks to the malware.





Apple has notified the small number of people that it believes were impacted by 'FORCEDENTRY.' Apple has joined WhatsApp and its parent company Meta in suing the Pegasus malware's creator, NSO Group. Furthermore, the Apple action seeks retaliation for NSO Group's flagrant breaches of US federal and state law arising from its activities targeting and attacking Apple and its consumers. In order to enhance efforts against cyber-attacks, Apple said that it will pay \$10 million, plus any damages from the lawsuit, to organisations conducting cyber-surveillance research and advocacy.