

ACCORD-Post-Claude Incident

Cryptographic Governance for Autonomous AI Systems

One-Page Overview – Nov 2025

1. The Problem

A state-sponsored actor recently jailbroke Claude and used it to autonomously execute 80–90% of a real cyberattack chain.

(Human operators intervened only four to six times.)

This incident reveals a systemic issue across all advanced AI systems:

- No cryptographic audit trail
- No enforced decision boundaries
- No tamper-proof logs
- No way to prove what the model actually did
- No mechanism to *prevent* a model from escalating behaviour after a jailbreak

Alignment didn't fail — governance did.

2. Why This Matters

As models gain agency:

- They can trigger workflows
- Call APIs
- Write scripts, deploy actions

- Access real systems
- Operate faster than humans can supervise

Traditional safety approaches (filters, RAG, vibes) cannot contain:

- jailbreaks
- chained reasoning exploits
- recursive tool invocation
- attack automation
- insider threat scenarios
- autonomous escalation after a single breach

**Once the guardrail is bypassed, the system runs blind.
Nobody sees the branching decisions.**

3. Accord: The Missing Layer

Accord is a lightweight, model-agnostic governance layer that enforces verifiable rules, logs, and policy boundaries across ANY AI system.

Core features (no slowdown, no model changes):

- ✓ Cryptographically signed decision logs
- ✓ Immutable audit ledger (chained, tamper-evident)
- ✓ Policy enforcement before execution
- ✓ Role-based permissions
- ✓ Action gating (what the AI is *allowed* to do)
- ✓ Zero-trust architecture for autonomous tools

- ✓ Complete explainability (“show me every step”)
- ✓ Model-agnostic — works with OpenAI, xAI, Anthropic, DeepSeek, homebrew LLMs

Accord doesn't guess or interpret —
it records, signs, and enforces.

4. How It Works (Simplified)

Step 0 — AI submits an action (e.g., “query user data,” “write code,” “send email,” “deploy workflow”).

Step 1 — Accord checks policy (bank rules, org rules, legal rules).

Step 2 — Accord returns ALLOW or DENY with a signed decision.

Step 3 — Every decision is written into a chained audit ledger.

Step 4 — Humans can verify the full chain at any moment.

Accord becomes the source of truth:

- what happened
 - why it happened
 - who authorised it
 - what rules were used
 - whether anything changed
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5. Who It's For

AI Labs

Prevent silent escalation, enforce agent boundaries.

Governments & Regulators

Real-time proof of compliance with AI safety rules.

Banks / Insurance / Finance

Cryptographically auditable decisions for risk-sensitive actions.

Enterprises & Autonomous Systems

Action gating + tamper-proof logs for internal safety.

Security & Threat Intelligence

Prevents an LLM from becoming an attack automation engine.

6. Why Now?

The Claude jailbreak incident demonstrated one thing clearly:

**AI is already able to run most of an attack chain autonomously.
The missing piece isn't "smarter alignment"—
it's verifiable governance.**

**Accord provides the layer that all labs and enterprises will eventually need.
We're just building it early.**

Footer

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