August 16, 2023

Dr. Dario Amodei
Chief Executive Officer
Anthropic
548 Market St. PMB 90375
San Francisco, CA 94104

Dear Dr. Amodei,

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Mr. Sundar Pichai  
Chief Executive Officer  
Google  
1600 Amphitheater Parkway  
Mountain View, CA 94043

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Mr. Mark Zuckerberg
Chief Executive Officer
Meta Platforms, Inc.
1 Hacker Way
Menlo Park, CA 94025

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Mr. Satya Nadella  
Chief Executive Officer  
Microsoft Corporation  
1 Microsoft Way  
Redmond, WA 98052

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Mr. Sam Altman  
Chief Executive Officer  
OpenAI  
1960 Bryant Street  
San Francisco, CA 94110

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Chief Executive Officer  
Amazon  
410 Terry Ave N  
Seattle, WA 98109

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Mr. Mustafa Suleyman
Chief Executive Officer
Inflection AI
650 Page Mill Road
Palo Alto, CA 94304

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Mr. Alexandr Wang  
Chief Executive Officer  
Scale AI  
155 5th St  
San Francisco, CA 94103

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Mr. Tim Cook
Chief Executive Officer
Apple
One Apple Park Way
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Mr. Emad Mostaque  
Chief Executive Officer  
Stability AI  
88 Notting Hill Gate  
London, England, W11 3HP

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Mr. David Holz
Chief Executive Officer
Midjourney
611 Gateway Blvd Suite 120
South San Francisco, CA 94080

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Databricks
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Sincerely,

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United States Senator

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