



Data Processing Agreement  
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**DATA PROCESSING ADDENDUM**

This Data Processing Addendum, including its Schedules and Annexes (“**DPA**”) forms part of the Services Agreement between Elastic Inc Inc., dba Close (“**Close**”) and Customer to which it is attached (“**Agreement**”), to reflect the parties’ agreement about the Processing of Personal Data.

By signing the Agreement, Customer enters into this DPA on behalf of itself and, to the extent required under applicable Data Protection Laws, in the name and on behalf of its Authorized Affiliates, if and to the extent Close processes Personal Data for which such Authorized Affiliates qualify as the Controller. For the purposes of this DPA only, and except where indicated otherwise, the term "Customer" shall include Customer and Authorized Affiliates. All capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Agreement.

In the course of providing the Services to Customer pursuant to the Agreement, Close may Process Personal Data on behalf of Customer and the Parties agree to comply with the following provisions with respect to any Personal Data, each acting reasonably and in good faith.

**DATA PROCESSING TERMS**

**1. DEFINITIONS**

“**Authorized Affiliate**” means any of Customer's Affiliate(s) that (a) is subject to the data protection laws and regulations of the European Union, the European Economic Area and/or their member states, Switzerland and/or the United Kingdom, and (b) is permitted to use the Services pursuant to the Agreement between Customer and Close, but has not signed its own Order Form with Close and is not a "Customer" as defined under this DPA.

“**CCPA**” means the California Consumer Privacy Act, Cal. Civ. Code § 1798.100 *et seq.*, and its implementing regulations.

“**Controller**” means the entity which determines the purposes and means of the Processing of Personal Data.

“**Customer**” means the entity that executed the Agreement together with its Affiliates (for so long as they remain Affiliates) which have signed Order Forms.

“**Customer Data**” means electronic data and information submitted by or for Customer to the Services.

“**Data Protection Laws**” means all laws and regulations, including laws and regulations of the European Union, the European Economic Area and their member states, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States and its states, applicable to the Processing of Personal Data under the Agreement as amended from time to time. For the avoidance of doubt, if Close’s Processing activities involving Personal Data are not within the scope of a given Data Protection Law, such law is not applicable for purposes of this Addendum.

“**Data Subject**” means the identified or identifiable person to whom Personal Data relates.

“**GDPR**” means Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation), including as implemented or adopted under the laws of the United Kingdom.



**“Personal Data”** means any information relating to (i) an identified or identifiable natural person and, (ii) an identified or identifiable legal entity (where such information is protected similarly as personal data or personally identifiable information under applicable Data Protection Laws), where for each (i) or (ii), such data is Customer Data.

**“Processing”** or **“Process”** means any operation or set of operations which is performed upon Personal Data, whether or not by automatic means, such as collection, recording, organization, structuring, storage, adaptation or alteration, retrieval, consultation, use, disclosure by transmission, dissemination or otherwise making available, alignment or combination, restriction, erasure or destruction.

**“Processor”** means the entity which Processes Personal Data on behalf of the Controller, including as applicable any “service provider” as that term is defined by the CCPA.

**“Public Authority”** means a government agency or law enforcement authority, including judicial authorities.

**“Security Measures”** means the security measures applicable to the specific Services purchased by Customer, as updated from time to time, including at minimum the measures set forth in Annex II.

**“Close Group”** means Close and its Affiliates engaged in the Processing of Personal Data.

**“Standard Contractual Clauses”** Standard Contractual Clauses for the transfer of Personal Data to third countries pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and the Council approved by European Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2021/914 of 4 June 2021, as currently set out at [https://eurlex.europa.eu/eli/dec\\_impl/2021/914/oj](https://eurlex.europa.eu/eli/dec_impl/2021/914/oj).

**“Sub-processor”** means any Processor engaged by Close or a member of the Close Group.

## **2. PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA**

**2.1 Roles of the Parties.** The parties acknowledge and agree that with regard to the Processing of Personal Data, Customer is the Controller, Close is the Processor and that Close or members of the Close Group may engage Sub-processors pursuant to the requirements set forth in Section 5 “Sub-processors” below.

**2.2 Customer’s Processing of Personal Data.** Customer shall, in its use of the Services, Process Personal Data in accordance with the requirements of Data Protection Laws, including any applicable requirement to provide notice to Data Subjects of the use of Close as Processor (including where the Customer is a Processor, by ensuring that the ultimate Controller does so). For the avoidance of doubt, Customer’s instructions for the Processing of Personal Data shall comply with Data Protection Laws . Customer shall have sole responsibility for the accuracy, quality, and legality of Personal Data and the means by which Customer acquired Personal Data. Customer specifically acknowledges that its use of the Services will not violate the rights of any Data Subject that has opted-out from sales or other disclosures of Personal Data, to the extent applicable under Data Protection Laws and Regulations.

**2.3 Close’s Processing of Personal Data.** Close shall treat Personal Data as Confidential Information and shall Process Personal Data on behalf of and only in accordance with Customer’s documented instructions for the following purposes: (i) Processing in accordance with the Agreement and applicable Order Form(s); (ii) Processing initiated by Users in their use of the Services; and (iii) Processing to comply with other documented lawful and reasonable instructions provided by Customer (e.g., via email) where such instructions are consistent with the terms of the Agreement.

**2.4 Details of the Processing.** The subject-matter of Processing of Personal Data by Close is the performance of the Services pursuant to the Agreement. The duration of the Processing, the nature and



purpose of the Processing, the types of Personal Data and categories of Data Subjects Processed under this DPA are further specified in Annex I (Details of the Processing) to this DPA.

### 3. RIGHTS OF DATA SUBJECTS

**Data Subject Request.** Close shall, to the extent legally permitted, promptly notify Customer if Close receives a request from a Data Subject to exercise the Data Subject's right of access, right to rectification, restriction of Processing, erasure ("right to be forgotten"), data portability, object to the Processing, or its right not to be subject to an automated individual decision making, each such request being a "**Data Subject Request**". Close shall not respond to a Data Subject Request itself, except that Customer authorizes Close to redirect the Data Subject Request as necessary to allow Customer to respond directly. Taking into account the nature of the Processing, Close shall assist Customer by appropriate technical and organizational measures, insofar as this is possible, for the fulfillment of Customer's obligation to respond to a Data Subject Request under Data Protection Laws. In addition, to the extent Customer, in its use of the Services, does not have the ability to address a Data Subject Request, Close shall, upon Customer's request, provide commercially reasonable efforts to assist Customer in responding to such Data Subject Request to the extent Close is legally permitted to do so and the response to such Data Subject Request is required under Data Protection Laws. To the extent legally permitted, Customer shall be responsible for any costs arising from Close's provision of such assistance.

### 4. Close PERSONNEL

- 4.1 **Confidentiality.** Close shall ensure that its personnel engaged in the Processing of Personal Data are informed of the confidential nature of the Personal Data, have received appropriate training on their responsibilities and have executed written confidentiality agreements. Close shall ensure that such confidentiality obligations survive the termination of the personnel engagement.
- 4.2 **Reliability.** Close shall take commercially reasonable steps to ensure the reliability of any Close personnel engaged in the Processing of Personal Data.
- 4.3 **Limitation of Access.** Close shall ensure that Close's access to Personal Data is limited to those personnel performing Services in accordance with the Agreement.
- 4.4 **Data Protection Officer.** Elastic Inc. has appointed a data protection officer. The appointed person may be reached at [privacy@close.com](mailto:privacy@close.com).

### 5. SUB-PROCESSORS

- 5.1 **Appointment of Sub-processors.** Customer acknowledges and agrees that (a) Close's Affiliates may be retained as Sub-processors; and (b) Close and Close's Affiliates respectively may engage third-party Sub-processors in connection with the provision of the Services. Close or a Close Affiliate has entered into a written agreement with each Sub-processor containing data protection obligations not less protective than those in the Agreement with respect to the protection of Customer Data to the extent applicable to the nature of the Services provided by such Sub-processor.
- 5.2 **List of Current Sub-processors and Notification of New Sub-processors.** Close shall make available to Customer the current list of Sub-processors for the Services upon request. Such Sub-processor lists shall include the identities of those Sub-processors and their country of location. Customer hereby consents to these Sub-processors, their locations and processing activities as it pertains to their Personal Data. Close shall provide notification of a new Sub-processor(s) before



authorizing any new Sub-processor(s) to Process Personal Data in connection with the provision of the applicable Services.

- 5.3 Objection Right for New Sub-processors.** Customer may object to Close’s use of a new Sub-processor by notifying Close promptly in writing at [privacy@close.com](mailto:privacy@close.com) within thirty (30) days after receipt of Close’s notice in accordance with the mechanism set out in Section 5.2. If Customer objects to a new Sub-processor as permitted in the preceding sentence, Close will use reasonable efforts to make available to Customer a change in the Services or recommend a commercially reasonable change to Customer’s configuration or use of the Services to avoid Processing of Personal Data by the objected-to new Sub-processor without unreasonably burdening Customer. If Close is unable to make available such change within a reasonable period of time, which shall not exceed sixty (60) days, Customer may terminate the applicable Order Form(s) with respect only to those Services which cannot be provided by Close without the use of the objected-to new Sub-processor by providing written notice to Close. Close will refund Customer any prepaid fees covering the remainder of the term of such Order Form(s) following the effective date of termination with respect to such terminated Services, without imposing a penalty for such termination on Customer.
- 5.4 Liability.** Close shall be liable for the acts and omissions of its Sub-processors to the same extent Close would be liable if performing the services of each Sub-processor directly under the terms of this DPA, except as otherwise set forth in the Agreement.

## 6. SECURITY

- 6.1 Controls for the Protection of Customer Data.** Close hereby certifies that it shall maintain appropriate technical and organizational measures for protection of the security (including protection against unauthorized or unlawful Processing and against accidental or unlawful destruction, loss or alteration or damage, unauthorized disclosure of, or access to, Customer Data), confidentiality and integrity of Customer Data, as set forth in the Security Measures. Close regularly monitors compliance with these measures. Close will not materially decrease the overall security of the Services during a subscription term.
- 6.2 Third-Party Certifications and Audits.** Upon Customer’s written request at reasonable intervals, and subject to the confidentiality obligations set forth in the Agreement, Close shall make available to Customer that is not a competitor of Close (or Customer’s independent, third-party auditor that is not a competitor of Close) a copy of Close’s then most recent third-party audits or certifications, if available (including ISO 27001 or SOC2).
- 6.3 Data Protection Impact Assessment.** Upon Customer’s request, Close shall provide Customer with reasonable cooperation and assistance needed to fulfill Customer’s obligation under Data Protection Law and Regulations to carry out a data protection impact assessment related to Customer’s use of the Services, to the extent Customer does not otherwise have access to the relevant information, and to the extent such information is available to Close.

## 7. CUSTOMER DATA INCIDENT MANAGEMENT AND NOTIFICATION

Close maintains security incident management policies and procedures specified in the Security Measures and shall notify Customer without undue delay after becoming aware of the accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorized disclosure of, or access to Customer Data, including Personal Data, transmitted, stored or otherwise Processed by Close or its Sub-processors of which Close becomes aware (a “**Customer Data Incident**”). Close shall make reasonable efforts to identify the cause of such Customer Data Incident and take those steps as Close deems necessary and reasonable in order to remediate the cause of



such a Customer Data Incident to the extent the remediation is within Close's reasonable control. The obligations herein shall not apply to incidents that are caused by Customer or Customer's Users.

## **8. GOVERNMENT ACCESS REQUESTS**

**8.1 Close requirements.** In its role as a Processor, Close shall maintain appropriate measures to protect Personal Data in accordance with the requirements of Data Protection Laws and Regulations, including by implementing appropriate technical and organizational safeguards to protect Personal Data against any interference that goes beyond what is necessary in a democratic society to safeguard national security, defense and public security. If Close receives a legally binding request to access Personal Data from a Public Authority, Close shall, unless otherwise legally prohibited, promptly notify Customer including a summary of the nature of the request. To the extent Close is prohibited by law from providing such notification, Close shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain a waiver of the prohibition to enable Close to communicate as much information as possible, as soon as possible. Further, Close shall challenge the request if, after careful assessment, it concludes that there are reasonable grounds to consider that the request is unlawful. Close shall pursue possibilities of appeal. When challenging a request, Close shall seek interim measures with a view to suspending the effects of the request until the competent judicial authority has decided on its merits. It shall not disclose the Personal Data requested until required to do so under the applicable procedural rules. Close agrees it will provide the minimum amount of information permissible when responding to a request for disclosure, based on a reasonable interpretation of the request. Close shall promptly notify Customer if Close becomes aware of any direct access by a Public Authority to Personal Data and provide information available to Close in this respect, to the extent permitted by law. For the avoidance of doubt, this DPA shall not require Close to pursue action or inaction that could result in civil or criminal penalty for Close such as contempt of court.

**8.2 Sub-processors requirements.** Close shall ensure that Sub-processors involved in the Processing of Personal Data are subject to the relevant commitments regarding Government Access Requests in the Standard Contractual Clauses.

## **9. RETURN AND DELETION OF CUSTOMER DATA**

Close shall return Customer Data to Customer and, to the extent allowed by applicable law, delete Customer Data in accordance with the procedures and timeframes specified in the Agreement.

## **10. AUTHORIZED AFFILIATES**

**10.1 Contractual Relationship.** The parties acknowledge and agree that, by executing the Agreement, Customer enters into the DPA on behalf of itself and, as applicable, in the name and on behalf of its Authorized Affiliates, thereby establishing a separate DPA between Close and each such Authorized Affiliate subject to the provisions of the Agreement and this Section 10 and Section 11. Each Authorized Affiliate agrees to be bound by the obligations under this DPA and, to the extent applicable, the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, an Authorized Affiliate is not and does not become a party to the Agreement and is only a party to the DPA. All access to and use of the Services and Content by Authorized Affiliates must comply with the terms and conditions of the Agreement and any violation of the terms and conditions of the Agreement by an Authorized Affiliate shall be deemed a violation by Customer.

**10.2 Communication.** The Customer that is the contracting party to the Agreement shall remain responsible for coordinating all communication with Close under this DPA and be entitled to make and receive any communication in relation to this DPA on behalf of its Authorized Affiliates.



**10.3 Rights of Authorized Affiliates.** Where an Authorized Affiliate becomes a party to the DPA with Close, it shall to the extent required under applicable Data Protection Laws be entitled to exercise the rights and seek remedies under this DPA, subject to the following:

**10.3.1** Except where applicable Data Protection Laws require the Authorized Affiliate to exercise a right or seek any remedy under this DPA against Close directly by itself, the parties agree that (i) solely the Customer that is the contracting party to the Agreement shall exercise any such right or seek any such remedy on behalf of the Authorized Affiliate, and (ii) the Customer that is the contracting party to the Agreement shall exercise any such rights under this DPA not separately for each Authorized Affiliate individually but in a combined manner for itself and all of its Authorized Affiliates together (as set forth, for example, in Section 10.3.2, below).

**10.3.2** The parties agree that the Customer that is the contracting party to the Agreement shall, when making any requests or enforcing any rights under this DPA, take all reasonable measures to combine any requests carried out on behalf of itself and all of its Authorized Affiliates in one single request.

## **11. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

Each party's and all of its Affiliates' liability, taken together in the aggregate, arising out of or related to this DPA, and all DPAs between Authorized Affiliates and Close, whether in contract, tort or under any other theory of liability, is subject to the 'Limitation of Liability' section of the Agreement, and any reference in such section to the liability of a party means the aggregate liability of that party and all of its Affiliates under the Agreement and all DPAs together.

For the avoidance of doubt, Close's and its Affiliates' total liability for all claims from Customer and all of its Authorized Affiliates arising out of or related to the Agreement and all DPAs shall apply in the aggregate for all claims under both the Agreement and all DPAs established under the Agreement, including by Customer and all Authorized Affiliates, and, in particular, shall not be understood to apply individually and severally to Customer and/or to any Authorized Affiliate that is a contractual party to any such DPA.

## **12. EUROPEAN SPECIFIC PROVISIONS**

**12.1 GDPR.** Close will Process Personal Data in accordance with the GDPR requirements directly applicable to Close's provision of its Services.

**12.2 Standard Contractual Clauses for data transfers.** Close applies the Standard Contractual Clauses set forth in Schedule A to this DPA to any transfers of Personal Data under this DPA from the European Union, the European Economic Area and/or their member states, Switzerland and the United Kingdom to countries which do not ensure an adequate level of data protection within the meaning of Data Protection Laws of the foregoing territories, to the extent such transfers are subject to such Data Protection Laws. The following additional terms apply with respect to the Standard Contractual Clauses:

**12.2.1 Customers covered by the Standard Contractual Clauses.** The Standard Contractual Clauses and the additional terms specified in this Section 11.3 apply to (i) Customer which is subject to the data protection laws and regulations of the European Union, the European Economic Area and/or their member states, Switzerland and/or the United Kingdom and, (ii) its Authorized Affiliates. For the purpose of the Standard Contractual Clauses and this Section 11, the aforementioned entities shall be deemed "data exporters".



**12.2.1.1 Data Exports from the United Kingdom under the Standard Contractual Clauses.**

For data transfers governed by UK Data Protection Laws and Regulations, the Mandatory Clauses of the Approved Addendum, being the template Addendum B.1.0 issued by the ICO and laid before Parliament in accordance with s119A of the Data Protection Act 2018 on February 2022, as revised under Section 18 of those Mandatory Clauses ("Approved Addendum") shall apply. The information required for Tables 1 to 3 of Part One of the Approved Addendum is set out in Schedule A, Annex I of this DPA (as applicable). For the purposes of Table 4 of Part One of the Approved Addendum, neither party may end the Approved Addendum when it changes.

**12.2.1.2 Data Exports from Switzerland under the Standard Contractual Clauses.** For data transfers governed by Swiss Data Protection Laws, the Standard Contractual Clauses also apply to the transfer of information relating to an identified or identifiable legal entity where such information is protected similarly as Personal Data under Swiss Data Protection Laws until such laws are amended to no longer apply to a legal entity.

**12.2.2 Docking clause.** The option under clause 7 shall not apply

**12.2.3 Instructions.** This DPA and the Agreement are Customer's complete and final documented instructions at the time of signature of the Agreement to Close for the Processing of Personal Data. Any additional or alternate instructions must be consistent with the terms of this DPA and the Agreement. For the purposes of clause 8.1(a), the instructions by Customer to Process Personal Data are set out in section 2.3 of this DPA and include onward transfers to a third party located outside Europe for the purpose of the performance of the Services.

**12.2.4 Security of Processing.** For the purposes of clause 8.6(a), Customer is solely responsible for making an independent determination as to whether the technical and organizational measures set forth herein meet Customer's requirements and agrees that (taking into account the state of the art, the costs of implementation, and the nature, scope, context and purposes of the Processing of its Personal Data as well as the risks to individuals) the security measures and policies implemented and maintained by Close provide a level of security appropriate to the risk with respect to its Personal Data. For the purposes of clause 8.6(c), personal data breaches will be handled in accordance with section 7 (Customer Data Incident Management and Notification) of this DPA

**12.2.5 Appointment of new Sub-processors and List of current Sub-processors.** Option 2 under clause 9 shall apply. For the purposes of clause 9(a), Close has Customer's general authorisation to engage Sub-processors in accordance with section 5 of this DPA. Close shall make available to Customer the current list of Sub-processors in accordance with section 5.2 of this DPA. Where Close enters into the EU P-to-P Transfer Clauses with a Sub-processor in connection with the provision of the Services, Customer hereby grants Close and Close's Affiliates authority to provide a general authorisation on Controller's behalf for the engagement of sub-processors by Sub-processors engaged in the provision of the Services, as well as decision making and approval authority for the addition or replacement of any such sub-processors.

**12.2.6 Notification of New Sub-processors and Objection Right for new Sub-processors.** Pursuant to Clause 9(a) of the Standard Contractual Clauses, Customer acknowledges and expressly agrees that Close may engage new Sub-processors as described in Sections 5.2 and 5.3 of this DPA. Close shall inform Customer of any changes to Sub-processors following the procedure provided for in section 5.2 of this DPA



- 12.2.7 Copies of Sub-processor Agreements.** The parties agree that the copies of the Sub-processor agreements that must be provided by Close to Customer pursuant to Clause 9(c) of the Standard Contractual Clauses may have all commercial information, or clauses unrelated to the Standard Contractual Clauses or their equivalent, removed by Close beforehand; and, that such copies will be provided by Close, in a manner to be determined in its discretion, only upon request by Customer.
- 12.2.8 Audits and Certifications.** The parties agree that the audits described in Clause 8.9 and Clause 13(b) of the Standard Contractual Clauses shall be carried out in accordance with the following specifications: Upon Customer's request, and subject to the confidentiality obligations set forth in the Agreement, Close shall make available to Customer that is not a competitor of Close (or Customer's independent, third-party auditor that is not a competitor of Close) information regarding the Close Group's compliance with the obligations set forth in this DPA in the form of the third-party certifications and audits set forth in the Security Measures to the extent Close makes them generally available to its customers. Customer may contact Close in accordance with the "Notices" Section of the Agreement to request an on-site audit of the procedures relevant to the protection of Personal Data. Customer shall reimburse Close for any time expended for any such on-site audit at the Close Group's then-current professional services rates, which shall be made available to Customer upon request. Before the commencement of any such on-site audit, Customer and Close shall mutually agree upon the scope, timing, and duration of the audit in addition to the reimbursement rate for which Customer shall be responsible. All reimbursement rates shall be reasonable, taking into account the resources expended by Close. Customer shall promptly notify Close with information regarding any non-compliance discovered during the course of an audit.
- 12.2.9 Certification of Deletion.** The parties agree that the certification of deletion of Personal Data that is described in clause 8.5 and 16(d) of the Standard Contractual Clauses shall be provided by Close to Customer only upon Customer's written request.
- 12.2.10 Liability.** Close's liability under clause 12(b) shall be limited to any damage caused by its Processing where Close has not complied with its obligations under the GDPR specifically directed to Processors, or where it has acted outside of or contrary to lawful instructions of Customer, as specified in Article 82 GDPR.
- 12.2.11 Supervision.** Clause 13 shall apply as follows:
- 12.2.11.1** Where Customer is established in an EU Member State, the supervisory authority with responsibility for ensuring compliance by Customer with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 as regards the data transfer shall act as competent supervisory authority.
- 12.2.11.2** Where Customer is not established in an EU Member State, but falls within the territorial scope of application of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 in accordance with its Article 3(2) and has appointed a representative pursuant to Article 27(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, the supervisory authority of the Member State in which the representative within the meaning of Article 27(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 is established shall act as competent supervisory authority.
- 12.2.11.3** Where Customer is not established in an EU Member State, but falls within the territorial scope of application of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 in accordance





with its Article 3(2) without however having to appoint a representative pursuant to Article 27(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, the Data Protection Commission of Ireland shall act as competent supervisory authority.

**12.2.11.4** Where Customer is established in the United Kingdom or falls within the territorial scope of application of the Data Protection Laws and Regulations of the United Kingdom (“UK Data Protection Laws and Regulations”), the Information Commissioner’s Office (“ICO”) shall act as competent supervisory authority.

**12.2.11.5** Where Customer is established in Switzerland or falls within the territorial scope of application of the Data Protection Laws and Regulations of Switzerland (“Swiss Data Protection Laws and Regulations”), the Swiss Federal Data Protection and Information Commissioner shall act as competent supervisory authority insofar as the relevant data transfer is governed by Swiss Data Protection Laws and Regulations.

**12.2.12 Notification of Government Access Requests.** For the purposes of clause 15(1)(a), Close shall notify Customer (only) and not the Data Subject(s) in case of government access requests. Customer shall be solely responsible for promptly notifying the Data Subject as necessary.

**12.2.13 Governing Law.** The governing law for the purposes of clause 17 shall be the law that is designated in the Governing Law section of the Agreement. If the Agreement is not governed by an EU Member State law, the Standard Contractual Clauses will be governed by either (i) the laws of Ireland; or (ii) where the Agreement is governed by the laws of the United Kingdom, the laws of England and Wales.

**12.2.14 Choice of Forum and Jurisdiction.** The courts under clause 18 shall be those designated in the Venue section of the Agreement. If the Agreement does not designate an EU Member State court as having exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any dispute or lawsuit arising out of or in connection with this Agreement, the parties agree that the courts of either (i) Ireland; or (ii) where the Agreement designates the United Kingdom as having exclusive jurisdiction, the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any dispute arising from the Standard Contractual Clauses. For Data Subjects habitually resident in Switzerland, the courts of Switzerland are an alternative place of jurisdiction in respect of disputes.

**12.2.15 Conflict.** The Standard Contractual Clauses are subject to this DPA and the additional safeguards set out hereunder. The rights and obligations afforded by the Standard Contractual Clauses will be exercised in accordance with this DPA, unless stated otherwise. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the body of this DPA and the Standard Contractual Clauses, the Standard Contractual Clauses shall prevail.

### **13. PARTIES TO THIS DPA**

Where the Standard Contractual Clauses are applicable, Close is the signatory to the Standard Contractual Clauses. Where the Close entity that is a party to this DPA is not Close, that Close entity is carrying out the obligations of the data importer on behalf of Close.

The parties’ authorized signatories have duly executed this DPA:



**CUSTOMER**

Signature:

Print Name:

Title:

Date:

**Elastic Inc., dba Close**

Signature:

Print Name: Anthony Nemitz

Title: Data Protection Officer

Date:



## **List of Schedules**

Schedule A: Standard Contractual Clauses

Annex I: Details of the Processing

Annex II: Technical And Organizational Measures Including Technical And Organizational Measures To Ensure the Security Of The Data

### **SCHEDULE A**

#### **STANDARD CONTRACTUAL CLAUSES**

Module Two: Transfer controller to processor

#### **SECTION I**

##### *Clause 1*

##### ***Purpose and scope***

(a) The purpose of these standard contractual clauses is to ensure compliance with the requirements of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation)<sup>[1]</sup> for the transfer of data to a third country.

(b) The Parties:

- (i) the natural or legal person(s), public authority/ies, agency/ies or other body/ies (hereinafter 'entity/ies') transferring the personal data, as listed in Annex I.A (hereinafter each 'data exporter'), and
- (ii) the entity/ies in a third country receiving the personal data from the data exporter, directly or indirectly via another entity also Party to these Clauses, as listed in Annex I.A (hereinafter each 'data importer')

have agreed to these standard contractual clauses (hereinafter: 'Clauses').

(c) These Clauses apply with respect to the transfer of personal data as specified in Annex I.B.

(d) The Appendix to these Clauses containing the Annexes referred to therein forms an integral part of these Clauses.

##### *Clause 2*

##### ***Effect and invariability of the Clauses***

(a) These Clauses set out appropriate safeguards, including enforceable data subject rights and effective legal remedies, pursuant to Article 46(1) and Article 46(2)(c) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and, with respect to data transfers from controllers to processors and/or processors to processors, standard contractual clauses pursuant to Article 28(7) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, provided they are not modified, except to select the appropriate Module(s) or to add or update information in the Appendix. This does not prevent the Parties from including the standard contractual clauses laid down in these Clauses in a wider



contract and/or to add other clauses or additional safeguards, provided that they do not contradict, directly or indirectly, these Clauses or prejudice the fundamental rights or freedoms of data subjects.

(b) These Clauses are without prejudice to obligations to which the data exporter is subject by virtue of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

#### *Clause 3*

##### ***Third-party beneficiaries***

(a) Data subjects may invoke and enforce these Clauses, as third-party beneficiaries, against the data exporter and/or data importer, with the following exceptions:

- (i) Clause 1, Clause 2, Clause 3, Clause 6, Clause 7;
  - (ii) Clause 8.1(b), 8.9(a), (c), (d) and (e);
  - (iii) Clause 9(a), (c), (d) and (e);
  - (iv) Clause 12(a), (d) and (f);
- (v) Clause 13;
- (vi) Clause 15.1(c), (d) and (e);
- (vii) Clause 16(e);
  - (viii) Clause 18(a) and (b).

(b) Paragraph (a) is without prejudice to rights of data subjects under Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

#### *Clause 4*

##### ***Interpretation***

(a) Where these Clauses use terms that are defined in Regulation (EU) 2016/679, those terms shall have the same meaning as in that Regulation.

(b) These Clauses shall be read and interpreted in the light of the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

(c) These Clauses shall not be interpreted in a way that conflicts with rights and obligations provided for in Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

#### *Clause 5*

##### ***Hierarchy***

In the event of a contradiction between these Clauses and the provisions of related agreements between the Parties, existing at the time these Clauses are agreed or entered into thereafter, these Clauses shall prevail.

#### *Clause 6*

##### ***Description of the transfer(s)***

The details of the transfer(s), and in particular the categories of personal data that are transferred and the purpose(s) for which they are transferred, are specified in Annex I.B.

#### *Clause 7 – Optional*

##### ***Docking clause***



- (a) An entity that is not a Party to these Clauses may, with the agreement of the Parties, accede to these Clauses at any time, either as a data exporter or as a data importer, by completing the Appendix and signing Annex I.A.
- (b) Once it has completed the Appendix and signed Annex I.A, the acceding entity shall become a Party to these Clauses and have the rights and obligations of a data exporter or data importer in accordance with its designation in Annex I.A.
- (c) The acceding entity shall have no rights or obligations arising under these Clauses from the period prior to becoming a Party.

## **SECTION II – OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES**

### *Clause 8*

#### ***Data protection safeguards***

The data exporter warrants that it has used reasonable efforts to determine that the data importer is able, through the implementation of appropriate technical and organizational measures, to satisfy its obligations under these Clauses.

#### **8.1 Instructions**

- (a) The data importer shall process the personal data only on documented instructions from the data exporter. The data exporter may give such instructions throughout the duration of the contract.
- (b) The data importer shall immediately inform the data exporter if it is unable to follow those instructions.

#### **8.2 Purpose limitation**

The data importer shall process the personal data only for the specific purpose(s) of the transfer, as set out in Annex I.B, unless on further instructions from the data exporter.

#### **8.3 Transparency**

On request, the data exporter shall make a copy of these Clauses, including the Appendix as completed by the Parties, available to the data subject free of charge. To the extent necessary to protect business secrets or other confidential information, including the measures described in Annex II and personal data, the data exporter may redact part of the text of the Appendix to these Clauses prior to sharing a copy, but shall provide a meaningful summary where the data subject would otherwise not be able to understand the its content or exercise his/her rights. On request, the Parties shall provide the data subject with the reasons for the redactions, to the extent possible without revealing the redacted information. This Clause is without prejudice to the obligations of the data exporter under Articles 13 and 14 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

#### **8.4 Accuracy**

If the data importer becomes aware that the personal data it has received is inaccurate, or has become outdated, it shall inform the data exporter without undue delay. In this case, the data importer shall cooperate with the data exporter to erase or rectify the data.

#### **8.5 Duration of processing and erasure or return of data**

Processing by the data importer shall only take place for the duration specified in Annex I.B. After the end of the provision of the processing services, the data importer shall, at the choice of the data exporter, delete all personal data processed on behalf of the data exporter and certify to the data exporter that it has done so, or return to the data exporter all personal data processed on its behalf and delete existing copies. Until the data is deleted or returned, the data importer shall continue to ensure compliance with these Clauses. In case of local laws applicable to the data importer that prohibit return or deletion of the personal data, the data importer warrants that it will continue to



ensure compliance with these Clauses and will only process it to the extent and for as long as required under that local law. This is without prejudice to Clause 14, in particular the requirement for the data importer under Clause 14(e) to notify the data exporter throughout the duration of the contract if it has reason to believe that it is or has become subject to laws or practices not in line with the requirements under Clause 14(a).

## **8.6 Security of processing**

(a) The data importer and, during transmission, also the data exporter shall implement appropriate technical and organizational measures to ensure the security of the data, including protection against a breach of security leading to accidental or unlawful destruction, loss, alteration, unauthorized disclosure or access to that data (hereinafter ‘personal data breach’). In assessing the appropriate level of security, the Parties shall take due account of the state of the art, the costs of implementation, the nature, scope, context and purpose(s) of processing and the risks involved in the processing for the data subjects. The Parties shall in particular consider having recourse to encryption or pseudonymisation, including during transmission, where the purpose of processing can be fulfilled in that manner. In case of pseudonymisation, the additional information for attributing the personal data to a specific data subject shall, where possible, remain under the exclusive control of the data exporter. In complying with its obligations under this paragraph, the data importer shall at least implement the technical and organizational measures specified in Annex II. The data importer shall carry out regular checks to ensure that these measures continue to provide an appropriate level of security.

(b) The data importer shall grant access to the personal data to members of its personnel only to the extent strictly necessary for the implementation, management and monitoring of the contract. It shall ensure that persons authorized to process the personal data have committed themselves to confidentiality or are under an appropriate statutory obligation of confidentiality.

(c) In the event of a personal data breach concerning personal data processed by the data importer under these Clauses, the data importer shall take appropriate measures to address the breach, including measures to mitigate its adverse effects. The data importer shall also notify the data exporter without undue delay after having become aware of the breach. Such notification shall contain the details of a contact point where more information can be obtained, a description of the nature of the breach (including, where possible, categories and approximate number of data subjects and personal data records concerned), its likely consequences and the measures taken or proposed to address the breach including, where appropriate, measures to mitigate its possible adverse effects. Where, and in so far as, it is not possible to provide all information at the same time, the initial notification shall contain the information then available and further information shall, as it becomes available, subsequently be provided without undue delay.

(d) The data importer shall cooperate with and assist the data exporter to enable the data exporter to comply with its obligations under Regulation (EU) 2016/679, in particular to notify the competent supervisory authority and the affected data subjects, taking into account the nature of processing and the information available to the data importer.

## **8.7 Sensitive data**

Where the transfer involves personal data revealing racial or ethnic origin, political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs, or trade union membership, genetic data, or biometric data for the purpose of uniquely identifying a natural person, data concerning health or a person’s sex life or sexual orientation, or data relating to criminal convictions and offences (hereinafter ‘sensitive data’), the data importer shall apply the specific restrictions and/or additional safeguards described in Annex I.B.

## 8.8 Onward transfers

The data importer shall only disclose the personal data to a third party on documented instructions from the data exporter. In addition, the data may only be disclosed to a third party located outside the European Union<sup>[2]</sup> (in the same country as the data importer or in another third country, hereinafter ‘onward transfer’) if the third party is or agrees to be bound by these Clauses, under the appropriate Module, or if:

- (i) the onward transfer is to a country benefiting from an adequacy decision pursuant to Article 45 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 that covers the onward transfer;
- (ii) the third party otherwise ensures appropriate safeguards pursuant to Articles 46 or 47 Regulation of (EU) 2016/679 with respect to the processing in question;
- (iii) the onward transfer is necessary for the establishment, exercise or defense of legal claims in the context of specific administrative, regulatory or judicial proceedings; or
- (iv) the onward transfer is necessary in order to protect the vital interests of the data subject or of another natural person.

Any onward transfer is subject to compliance by the data importer with all the other safeguards under these Clauses, in particular purpose limitation.

## 8.9 Documentation and compliance

- (a) The data importer shall promptly and adequately deal with enquiries from the data exporter that relate to the processing under these Clauses.
- (b) The Parties shall be able to demonstrate compliance with these Clauses. In particular, the data importer shall keep appropriate documentation on the processing activities carried out on behalf of the data exporter.
- (c) The data importer shall make available to the data exporter all information necessary to demonstrate compliance with the obligations set out in these Clauses and at the data exporter’s request, allow for and contribute to audits of the processing activities covered by these Clauses, at reasonable intervals or if there are indications of non-compliance. In deciding on a review or audit, the data exporter may take into account relevant certifications held by the data importer.
- (d) The data exporter may choose to conduct the audit by itself or mandate an independent auditor. Audits may include inspections at the premises or physical facilities of the data importer and shall, where appropriate, be carried out with reasonable notice.
- (e) The Parties shall make the information referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c), including the results of any audits, available to the competent supervisory authority on request.

### *Clause 9*

#### ***Use of sub-processors***

- (a) The data importer has the data exporter’s general authorisation for the engagement of sub-processor(s) from an agreed list. The data importer shall specifically inform the data exporter in writing of any intended changes to that list through the addition or replacement of sub-processors at least 30 days in advance, thereby giving the data exporter sufficient time to be able to object to such changes prior to the engagement of the sub-processor(s). The data importer shall provide the data exporter with the information necessary to enable the data exporter to exercise its right to object.
- (b) Where the data importer engages a sub-processor to carry out specific processing activities (on behalf of the data exporter), it shall do so by way of a written contract that provides for, in substance, the



same data protection obligations as those binding the data importer under these Clauses, including in terms of third-party beneficiary rights for data subjects.<sup>[3]</sup> The Parties agree that, by complying with this Clause, the data importer fulfills its obligations under Clause 8.8. The data importer shall ensure that the sub-processor complies with the obligations to which the data importer is subject pursuant to these Clauses.

(c) The data importer shall provide, at the data exporter's request, a copy of such a sub-processor agreement and any subsequent amendments to the data exporter. To the extent necessary to protect business secrets or other confidential information, including personal data, the data importer may redact the text of the agreement prior to sharing a copy.

(d) The data importer shall remain fully responsible to the data exporter for the performance of the sub-processor's obligations under its contract with the data importer. The data importer shall notify the data exporter of any failure by the sub-processor to fulfill its obligations under that contract.

(e) The data importer shall agree a third-party beneficiary clause with the sub-processor whereby – in the event the data importer has factually disappeared, ceased to exist in law or has become insolvent – the data exporter shall have the right to terminate the sub-processor contract and to instruct the sub-processor to erase or return the personal data.

#### *Clause 10*

##### ***Data subject rights***

(a) The data importer shall promptly notify the data exporter of any request it has received from a data subject. It shall not respond to that request itself unless it has been authorized to do so by the data exporter.

(b) The data importer shall assist the data exporter in fulfilling its obligations to respond to data subjects' requests for the exercise of their rights under Regulation (EU) 2016/679. In this regard, the Parties shall set out in Annex II the appropriate technical and organizational measures, taking into account the nature of the processing, by which the assistance shall be provided, as well as the scope and the extent of the assistance required.

(c) In fulfilling its obligations under paragraphs (a) and (b), the data importer shall comply with the instructions from the data exporter.

#### *Clause 11*

##### ***Redress***

(a) The data importer shall inform data subjects in a transparent and easily accessible format, through individual notice or on its website, of a contact point authorized to handle complaints. It shall deal promptly with any complaints it receives from a data subject.

(b) In case of a dispute between a data subject and one of the Parties as regards compliance with these Clauses, that Party shall use its best efforts to resolve the issue amicably in a timely fashion. The Parties shall keep each other informed about such disputes and, where appropriate, cooperate in resolving them.

(c) Where the data subject invokes a third-party beneficiary right pursuant to Clause 3, the data importer shall accept the decision of the data subject to:

- (i) lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority in the Member State of his/her habitual residence or place of work, or the competent supervisory authority pursuant to Clause 13;
- (ii) refer the dispute to the competent courts within the meaning of Clause 18.

(d) The Parties accept that the data subject may be represented by a not-for-profit body, organization or association under the conditions set out in Article 80(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.





- (e) The data importer shall abide by a decision that is binding under the applicable EU or Member State law.
- (f) The data importer agrees that the choice made by the data subject will not prejudice his/her substantive and procedural rights to seek remedies in accordance with applicable laws.

#### *Clause 12*

##### ***Liability***

- (a) Each Party shall be liable to the other Party/ies for any damages it causes the other Party/ies by any breach of these Clauses.
- (b) The data importer shall be liable to the data subject, and the data subject shall be entitled to receive compensation, for any material or non-material damages the data importer or its sub-processor causes the data subject by breaching the third-party beneficiary rights under these Clauses.
- (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b), the data exporter shall be liable to the data subject, and the data subject shall be entitled to receive compensation, for any material or non-material damages the data exporter or the data importer (or its sub-processor) causes the data subject by breaching the third-party beneficiary rights under these Clauses. This is without prejudice to the liability of the data exporter and, where the data exporter is a processor acting on behalf of a controller, to the liability of the controller under Regulation (EU) 2016/679 or Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, as applicable.
- (d) The Parties agree that if the data exporter is held liable under paragraph (c) for damages caused by the data importer (or its sub-processor), it shall be entitled to claim back from the data importer that part of the compensation corresponding to the data importer's responsibility for the damage.
- (e) Where more than one Party is responsible for any damage caused to the data subject as a result of a breach of these Clauses, all responsible Parties shall be jointly and severally liable and the data subject is entitled to bring an action in court against any of these Parties.
- (f) The Parties agree that if one Party is held liable under paragraph (e), it shall be entitled to claim back from the other Party/ies that part of the compensation corresponding to its/their responsibility for the damage.
- (g) The data importer may not invoke the conduct of a sub-processor to avoid its own liability.

#### *Clause 13*

##### ***Supervision***

- (a) [Where the data exporter is established in an EU Member State:] The supervisory authority with responsibility for ensuring compliance by the data exporter with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 as regards the data transfer, as indicated in Annex I.C, shall act as competent supervisory authority.

[Where the data exporter is not established in an EU Member State, but falls within the territorial scope of application of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 in accordance with its Article 3(2) and has appointed a representative pursuant to Article 27(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679:] The supervisory authority of the Member State in which the representative within the meaning of Article 27(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 is established, as indicated in Annex I.C, shall act as competent supervisory authority.

[Where the data exporter is not established in an EU Member State, but falls within the territorial scope of application of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 in accordance with its Article 3(2) without however having to appoint a representative pursuant to Article 27(2) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679:] The supervisory authority of one of the Member States in which the data subjects whose personal data is transferred under these



Clauses in relation to the offering of goods or services to them, or whose behavior is monitored, are located, as indicated in Annex I.C, shall act as competent supervisory authority.

- (b) The data importer agrees to submit itself to the jurisdiction of and cooperate with the competent supervisory authority in any procedures aimed at ensuring compliance with these Clauses. In particular, the data importer agrees to respond to enquiries, submit to audits and comply with the measures adopted by the supervisory authority, including remedial and compensatory measures. It shall provide the supervisory authority with written confirmation that the necessary actions have been taken.

### **SECTION III – LOCAL LAWS AND OBLIGATIONS IN CASE OF ACCESS BY PUBLIC AUTHORITIES**

#### *Clause 14*

##### ***Local laws and practices affecting compliance with the Clauses***

- (a) The Parties warrant that they have no reason to believe that the laws and practices in the third country of destination applicable to the processing of the personal data by the data importer, including any requirements to disclose personal data or measures authorizing access by public authorities, prevent the data importer from fulfilling its obligations under these Clauses. This is based on the understanding that laws and practices that respect the essence of the fundamental rights and freedoms and do not exceed what is necessary and proportionate in a democratic society to safeguard one of the objectives listed in Article 23(1) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, are not in contradiction with these Clauses.
- (b) The Parties declare that in providing the warranty in paragraph (a), they have taken due account in particular of the following elements:
  - (i) the specific circumstances of the transfer, including the length of the processing chain, the number of actors involved and the transmission channels used; intended onward transfers; the type of recipient; the purpose of processing; the categories and format of the transferred personal data; the economic sector in which the transfer occurs; the storage location of the data transferred;
  - (ii) the laws and practices of the third country of destination– including those requiring the disclosure of data to public authorities or authorizing access by such authorities – relevant in light of the specific circumstances of the transfer, and the applicable limitations and safeguards<sup>[4]</sup>;
  - (iii) any relevant contractual, technical or organizational safeguards put in place to supplement the safeguards under these Clauses, including measures applied during transmission and to the processing of the personal data in the country of destination.
- (c) The data importer warrants that, in carrying out the assessment under paragraph (b), it has made its best efforts to provide the data exporter with relevant information and agrees that it will continue to cooperate with the data exporter in ensuring compliance with these Clauses.
- (d) The Parties agree to document the assessment under paragraph (b) and make it available to the competent supervisory authority on request.
- (e) The data importer agrees to notify the data exporter promptly if, after having agreed to these Clauses and for the duration of the contract, it has reason to believe that it is or has become subject to laws or practices not in line with the requirements under paragraph (a), including following a change in the laws of the third country or a measure (such as a disclosure request) indicating an application of such laws in practice that is not in line with the requirements in paragraph (a).

(f) Following a notification pursuant to paragraph (e), or if the data exporter otherwise has reason to believe that the data importer can no longer fulfill its obligations under these Clauses, the data exporter shall promptly identify appropriate measures (e.g. technical or organizational measures to ensure security and confidentiality) to be adopted by the data exporter and/or data importer to address the situation. The data exporter shall suspend the data transfer if it considers that no appropriate safeguards for such transfer can be ensured, or if instructed by the competent supervisory authority to do so. In this case, the data exporter shall be entitled to terminate the contract, insofar as it concerns the processing of personal data under these Clauses. If the contract involves more than two Parties, the data exporter may exercise this right to termination only with respect to the relevant Party, unless the Parties have agreed otherwise. Where the contract is terminated pursuant to this Clause, Clause 16(d) and (e) shall apply.

#### *Clause 15*

#### ***Obligations of the data importer in case of access by public authorities***

##### **15.1 Notification**

(a) The data importer agrees to notify the data exporter and, where possible, the data subject promptly (if necessary with the help of the data exporter) if it:

(i) receives a legally binding request from a public authority, including judicial authorities, under the laws of the country of destination for the disclosure of personal data transferred pursuant to these Clauses; such notification shall include information about the personal data requested, the requesting authority, the legal basis for the request and the response provided; or

(ii) becomes aware of any direct access by public authorities to personal data transferred pursuant to these Clauses in accordance with the laws of the country of destination; such notification shall include all information available to the importer.

(b) If the data importer is prohibited from notifying the data exporter and/or the data subject under the laws of the country of destination, the data importer agrees to use its best efforts to obtain a waiver of the prohibition, with a view to communicating as much information as possible, as soon as possible. The data importer agrees to document its best efforts in order to be able to demonstrate them on request of the data exporter.

(c) Where permissible under the laws of the country of destination, the data importer agrees to provide the data exporter, at regular intervals for the duration of the contract, with as much relevant information as possible on the requests received (in particular, number of requests, type of data requested, requesting authority/ies, whether requests have been challenged and the outcome of such challenges, etc.).

(d) The data importer agrees to preserve the information pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (c) for the duration of the contract and make it available to the competent supervisory authority on request.

(e) Paragraphs (a) to (c) are without prejudice to the obligation of the data importer pursuant to Clause 14(e) and Clause 16 to inform the data exporter promptly where it is unable to comply with these Clauses.

##### **15.2 Review of legality and data minimisation**

(a) The data importer agrees to review the legality of the request for disclosure, in particular whether it remains within the powers granted to the requesting public authority, and to challenge the request if, after careful assessment, it concludes that there are reasonable grounds to consider that the request is unlawful under the laws of the country of destination, applicable obligations under international law and principles of international comity. The data importer shall, under the same conditions, pursue possibilities of appeal. When challenging a request, the data importer shall seek interim measures with a view to suspending the effects of the request until the competent judicial authority has decided on its merits. It shall not disclose



the personal data requested until required to do so under the applicable procedural rules. These requirements are without prejudice to the obligations of the data importer under Clause 14(e).

(b) The data importer agrees to document its legal assessment and any challenge to the request for disclosure and, to the extent permissible under the laws of the country of destination, make the documentation available to the data exporter. It shall also make it available to the competent supervisory authority on request.

(c) The data importer agrees to provide the minimum amount of information permissible when responding to a request for disclosure, based on a reasonable interpretation of the request.

#### **SECTION IV – FINAL PROVISIONS**

##### *Clause 16*

##### ***Non-compliance with the Clauses and termination***

(a) The data importer shall promptly inform the data exporter if it is unable to comply with these Clauses, for whatever reason.

(b) In the event that the data importer is in breach of these Clauses or unable to comply with these Clauses, the data exporter shall suspend the transfer of personal data to the data importer until compliance is again ensured or the contract is terminated. This is without prejudice to Clause 14(f).

(c) The data exporter shall be entitled to terminate the contract, insofar as it concerns the processing of personal data under these Clauses, where:

(i) the data exporter has suspended the transfer of personal data to the data importer pursuant to paragraph (b) and compliance with these Clauses is not restored within a reasonable time and in any event within one month of suspension;

(ii) the data importer is in substantial or persistent breach of these Clauses; or

(iii) the data importer fails to comply with a binding decision of a competent court or supervisory authority regarding its obligations under these Clauses.

In these cases, it shall inform the competent supervisory authority of such non-compliance. Where the contract involves more than two Parties, the data exporter may exercise this right to termination only with respect to the relevant Party, unless the Parties have agreed otherwise.

(d) Personal data that has been transferred prior to the termination of the contract pursuant to paragraph (c) shall at the choice of the data exporter immediately be returned to the data exporter or deleted in its entirety. The same shall apply to any copies of the data. The data importer shall certify the deletion of the data to the data exporter. Until the data is deleted or returned, the data importer shall continue to ensure compliance with these Clauses. In case of local laws applicable to the data importer that prohibit the return or deletion of the transferred personal data, the data importer warrants that it will continue to ensure compliance with these Clauses and will only process the data to the extent and for as long as required under that local law.

(e) Either Party may revoke its agreement to be bound by these Clauses where (i) the European Commission adopts a decision pursuant to Article 45(3) of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 that covers the transfer of personal data to which these Clauses apply; or (ii) Regulation (EU) 2016/679 becomes part of the legal framework of the country to which the personal data is transferred. This is without prejudice to other obligations applying to the processing in question under Regulation (EU) 2016/679.



*Clause 17*

***Governing law***

These Clauses shall be governed by the law of one of the EU Member States, provided such law allows for third-party beneficiary rights. The Parties agree that this shall be the law of the Republic of Ireland.

*Clause 18*

***Choice of forum and jurisdiction***

- (a) Any dispute arising from these Clauses shall be resolved by the courts of an EU Member State.
- (b) The Parties agree that those shall be the courts of the Republic of Ireland.
- (c) A data subject may also bring legal proceedings against the data exporter and/or data importer before the courts of the Member State in which he/she has his/her habitual residence.
- (d) The Parties agree to submit themselves to the jurisdiction of such courts.

**APPENDIX**

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

It must be possible to clearly distinguish the information applicable to each transfer or category of transfers and, in this regard, to determine the respective role(s) of the Parties as data exporter(s) and/or data importer(s). This does not necessarily require completing and signing separate appendices for each transfer/category of transfers and/or contractual relationship, where this transparency can be achieved through one appendix. However, where necessary to ensure sufficient clarity, separate appendices should be used.

**ANNEX I – DETAILS OF THE PROCESSING**

**A. LIST OF PARTIES**

**Data exporter(s):** *[Identity and contact details of the data exporter(s) and, where applicable, of its/their data protection officer and/or representative in the European Union]*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person's name, position and contact details: \_\_\_\_\_

Activities relevant to the data transferred under these Clauses: Performance of the Services pursuant to the Agreement and as further described in the Documentation.

Signature and date: \_\_\_\_\_

Role (controller/processor): Controller



**Data importer(s):** *[Identity and contact details of the data importer(s), including any contact person with responsibility for data protection]*

Name: **Elastic Inc / Close**

Address: PO Box 7775 #69574 San Francisco, CA 94120

Contact person's name, position and contact details: Data Protection Officer, [dpo@close.com](mailto:dpo@close.com)

Activities relevant to the data transferred under these Clauses:

- Close is a provider of enterprise cloud computing solutions which processes personal data upon the instruction of the data exporter in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

Signature and date:

Role (controller/processor): Processor

## **B. DESCRIPTION OF TRANSFER**

*Categories of data subjects whose personal data is transferred*

Data exporter may submit Personal Data to the Services, the extent of which is determined and controlled by the data exporter in its sole discretion, and which may include, but is not limited to Personal Data relating to the following categories of data subjects:

- Prospects, customers, business partners and vendors of Customer and Customer's customers (who are natural persons)
- Employees or contact persons of Customer's prospects, customers, business partners and vendors
- Employees, agents, advisors, freelancers of Customer (who are natural persons)
- Customer's Users authorized by Customer to use the Services

*Categories of personal data transferred*

Data exporter may submit Personal Data to the Services, the extent of which is determined and controlled by the data exporter in its sole discretion, and which may include, but is not limited to the following categories of Personal Data:

- Customer's users authorized by Customer to use the Software Services
- Title
- Position
- Employer



- Contact information (company, email, phone, physical business address)
- Order data
- Professional life data
- Personal life data
- Connection data
- Localization data
- Payment data
- Business requirements

*Sensitive data transferred (if applicable) and applied restrictions or safeguards that fully take into consideration the nature of the data and the risks involved, such as for instance strict purpose limitation, access restrictions (including access only for staff having followed specialized training), keeping a record of access to the data, restrictions for onward transfers or additional security measures.*

- Not applicable.

*The frequency of the transfer (e.g. whether the data is transferred on a one-off or continuous basis).*

- Continuous.

*Nature of the processing*

- Close will Process Personal Data as necessary to perform the Services pursuant to the Agreement, and as further instructed by Customer in its use of the Services.

*Purpose(s) of the data transfer and further processing*

- The objective of Processing of Personal Data by data importer is the performance of Services pursuant to the Agreement.

*The duration of the processing*

- Subject to Section 8 of the DPA, Close will Process Personal Data for the duration of the Agreement, unless otherwise agreed upon in writing.

*The period for which the personal data will be retained, or, if that is not possible, the criteria used to determine that period*

- Personal Data will be retained for the length of the Agreement, or in accordance with applicable Data Privacy Laws.

*For transfers to (sub-) processors, also specify subject matter, nature and duration of the processing*

- Sub-processors shall Process Personal Data for purposes of assisting Close in providing the Services to Customer under the Agreement and shall continue to process Personal Data for the length of the



applicable agreement governing provision of the Services or as otherwise required under applicable Data Privacy Laws.

### **C. COMPETENT SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY**

*Identify the competent supervisory authority/ies in accordance with Clause 13*

Same as Clause 13 above.

## **ANNEX II - TECHNICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEASURES INCLUDING TECHNICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL MEASURES TO ENSURE THE SECURITY OF THE DATA**

Close will, as a minimum, implement the following technical and organizational measures designed to secure the Personal Data Close processes as part of its Services:

### **1. Physical access control**

Technical and organizational measures to prevent unauthorized persons from gaining access to the data processing systems available in premises and facilities (including databases, application servers and related hardware), where Personal Data are processed, include:

- Establishing security areas, restriction of access paths
- Establishing access authorizations for employees and third parties
- Access control system (ID reader, magnetic card, chip card)
- Key management, card-keys procedures
- Door locking (electric door openers etc.)
- Security staff, janitors
- Surveillance facilities, video/CCTV monitor, alarm system
- Securing decentralized data processing equipment and personal computers

### **2. Virtual access control**

Technical and organizational measures to prevent data processing systems from being used by unauthorized persons include:

- User identification and authentication procedures, including multi-factor authentication for accessing critical systems
- ID/password security procedures (special characters, minimum length, change of password)
- Automatic blocking (e.g. password or timeout)
- Monitoring of break-in-attempts and automatic lock-down of the user ID upon several erroneous passwords attempts
- Creation of one master record per user, user master data procedures, per data processing environment
- Encryption of archived data media. All stored data is encrypted by default, utilizing AES 256-bit encryption
- Transport Layer Security, commonly known as TLS or HTTPS, to protect customer data as it travels over the Internet during read and write operations. HTTPS is the default and required





transport protocol for all communications. Any attempt to communicate over HTTP or an unencrypted channel will be redirected to a secure HTTPS service.

### **3. Data access control**

Technical and organizational measures to ensure that persons entitled to use a data processing system gain access only to such Personal Data in accordance with their access rights, and that Personal Data cannot be read, copied, modified or deleted without authorization, include:

- Internal policies and procedures
- Control authorization schemes
- Differentiated access rights (profiles, roles, transactions and objects), granted on “least-privilege” principle
- Monitoring and logging of accesses
- Disciplinary action against employees who access personal data without authorization
- Reports of access
- Access procedure
- Change procedure
- Deletion procedure
- Encryption

### **4. Disclosure control**

Technical and organizational measures to ensure that Personal Data cannot be read, copied, modified or deleted without authorization during electronic transmission, transport or storage on storage media (manual or electronic), and that it can be verified to which companies or other legal entities Personal Data are disclosed, include:

- Encryption/Tunneling
- Logging
- Transport security

### **5. Entry control**

Technical and organizational measures to monitor whether data have been entered, changed or removed (deleted), and by whom, from data processing systems, include:

- Logging and reporting systems
- Audit trails and documentation

### **6. Control of instructions**

Technical and organizational measures to ensure that Personal Data are processed solely in accordance with the instructions of Subscriber include:

- Unambiguous wording of the contract
- Formal commissioning (request form)
- Criteria for selecting the Processor

### **7. Availability control**

Technical and organizational measures to ensure that Personal Data are protected against accidental destruction or loss (physical/logical) include:

- Backup procedures
- Mirroring of hard disks (e.g. RAID technology) or other applicable technology for local storage redundancy



- Uninterruptible power supply (UPS)- as provided by our Cloud provider
- Remote storage
- Anti-malware/firewall systems
- Disaster recovery plan

### **8. Separation control**

Technical and organizational measures to ensure that Personal Data collected for different purposes can be processed separately include:

- Separation of databases
- “Internal client” concept / limitation of use
- Segregation of functions (production/testing)
- Procedures for storage, amendment, deletion, transmission of data for different purposes

### **9. Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery**

Close utilizes a cloud hosting provider, Amazon Web Services (AWS), for all system infrastructure. Because of this, both Close and its clients benefit from AWS policies and practices as part of the data centers' core operating principles. AWS is responsible for maintaining the physical security of all servers.

### **10. Customer Data Portability and Deletion**

Upon request by Customer made within 90 days after the effective date of termination or expiration of the Agreement, Close will make Customer Data available to Customer for export or download as provided in the Documentation. After such 90-day period, Close will have no obligation to maintain or provide any Customer Data, and as provided in the Documentation will thereafter irreversibly delete or destroy all copies of Customer Data in its systems or otherwise in its possession or control, unless legally prohibited.

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[1] Where the data exporter is a processor subject to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 acting on behalf of a Union institution or body as controller, reliance on these Clauses when engaging another processor (sub-processing) not subject to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 also ensures compliance with Article 29(4) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295 of 21.11.2018, p. 39), to the extent these Clauses and the data protection obligations as set out in the contract or other legal act between the controller and the processor pursuant to Article 29(3) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 are aligned. This will in particular be the case where the controller and processor rely on the standard contractual clauses included in Decision 2021/915.

[2] The Agreement on the European Economic Area (EEA Agreement) provides for the extension of the European Union's internal market to the three EEA States Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway. The Union data protection legislation, including Regulation (EU) 2016/679, is covered by the EEA Agreement and has been incorporated into Annex XI thereto. Therefore, any disclosure by the data importer to a third party located in the EEA does not qualify as an onward transfer for the purpose of these Clauses.

[3] This requirement may be satisfied by the sub-processor acceding to these Clauses under the appropriate Module, in accordance with Clause 7.

[4] As regards the impact of such laws and practices on compliance with these Clauses, different elements may be considered as part of an overall assessment. Such elements may include relevant and documented practical experience with prior instances of requests for disclosure from public authorities, or the absence of such requests, covering a sufficiently representative time-frame. This refers in particular to internal records or other documentation, drawn up on a continuous basis in accordance with due



diligence and certified at senior management level, provided that this information can be lawfully shared with third parties. Where this practical experience is relied upon to conclude that the data importer will not be prevented from complying with these Clauses, it needs to be supported by other relevant, objective elements, and it is for the Parties to consider carefully whether these elements together carry sufficient weight, in terms of their reliability and representativeness, to support this conclusion. In particular, the Parties have to take into account whether their practical experience is corroborated and not contradicted by publicly available or otherwise accessible, reliable information on the existence or absence of requests within the same sector and/or the application of the law in practice, such as case law and reports by independent oversight bodies.