

I'm writing to you this cold, grey morning from Luxembourg, where European Justice Ministers have been meeting to decide the future of online privacy.

And **I wanted to share with you some good news** – we've just won an important victory for privacy and freedom.

On Monday, we achieved something few thought possible. **The EU's Chat Control plan, which would have forced apps like WhatsApp and Signal to share every private message with the EU and government's within the EU, was pulled from the agenda at the very last moment.**

It's a breakthrough for privacy, and it's thanks to people like you.

And **while this victory was achieved at the EU, it has huge significance for the UK.**

If Chat Control had gone ahead, it would have set a dangerous precedent – one that could have quickly reached our shores. Once surveillance technology is built into global apps, it doesn't stop at borders. And you can be sure that politicians in Westminster would have been watching closely.

Let me take you back to what was supposed to happen.

The European Council's Justice Ministers were meant to meet here in Luxembourg to discuss the EU's plan to read your private messages. It was scheduled for debate and a possible vote. Everything was set.

For weeks, governments across Europe had been under pressure to support this scheme that would have turned every phone into a potential surveillance device. Ministers were ready to move forward, even though their own legal experts warned it would break fundamental rights.

But just before the meeting began, something changed...

Quietly, almost without notice, the agenda was updated. And just like that, Chat Control was gone.

This is extremely good news. It shows something powerful – something I always remind you of in these fights: your pressure worked.

It wasn't luck, it was you!

All the signatures, all the petitions, all the local actions across Europe... they hit hard. From hundreds of thousands of signatures delivered, to CitizenGO teams

mobilising across European capitals, your support helped create a wave the EU couldn't ignore, forcing them to pull the issue from the agenda at the very last minute.



But let's keep perspective. This fight isn't over.

They globalists at the EU have delayed Chat Control, not killed it. This is a tactical retreat. They'll regroup and try again.

The plan to scan private messages is still alive.

And that's why your continued voice matters.

Because if Chat Control had succeeded in Brussels, it wouldn't have stopped there. Once governments normalise message scanning, it's only a matter of time before others try the same.

In the months ahead, I'll also need the support of people like you in the UK.

When EU ministers see that citizens outside their borders are also watching, it strengthens the pressure and reminds them that privacy is a global value, not a regional one. And at the same time, it sends a message to our own leaders in Westminster: don't even think about it.

Right now, the best way to protect our freedom is to stay visible, loud, and relentless until Chat Control is gone for good.

For today though, take a moment to join me in celebrating what we've achieved.

I'll be back soon with a full update, but I just had to share this with you first.

Because for today it feels like freedom just won another round!

We'll stay visible, loud, and relentless until Chat Control is buried for good.

Thank you for for your support,

Sebastian Lukomski and the entire CitizenGO team