

Subject: Re: Tragedy RE survivor abused on IG
Date: Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 10:28:13 PM Eastern Daylight Time
From: Vaishnavi J
To: Arlene Stinson, Dawn Hawkins, Jennifer Hanley, Karina Newton, Josh [REDACTED] Haley McNamara, Lina Nealon, 'Laila Mickelwait (lailamickelwait@justicedefensefund.com)', 'Lyn Kennedy', 'Tina Frundt (tfrundt@courtneyshouse.org)', 'phenry@courtneyshouse.org'
CC: Rachel Curran
Attachments: image001.jpg

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

[Allow sender](#) | [Block sender](#)

Dear Dawn,

I would like to extend my sincere condolences to you and [REDACTED] community on the news of her passing. To address your question about our restrictions on unconnected adults messaging minors, it applies to all unconnected youth and adults who are currently on our platforms, not just new accounts.

If you have any details about the alleged trafficker's account to share, we can investigate the account on our end.

Regards,
Vaishnavi

From: Arlene Stinson <arlene.stinson@cmaacan.org>
Sent: 25 June 2021 3:12 PM
To: 'Dawn Hawkins, NCOSE' <dawn@ncose.com>; Vaishnavi J <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; Jennifer Hanley <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; Karina Newton <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; Josh [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; 'Haley McNamara' <haley@ncose.com>; 'Lina Nealon' <lnealon@ncose.com>; 'Laila Mickelwait (lailamickelwait@justicedefensefund.com)' <lailamickelwait@justicedefensefund.com>; 'Lyn Kennedy' <lyn@collectiveshout.org>; 'Tina Frundt (tfrundt@courtneyshouse.org)' <tfrundt@courtneyshouse.org>; 'phenry@courtneyshouse.org' <phenry@courtneyshouse.org>
Cc: Rachel Curran <[REDACTED]@fb.com>
Subject: RE: Tragedy RE survivor abused on IG

Dawn and Tina,
I am so sorry to hear of this tragedy. My condolences to her family and friends.
I look forward to our continued work for greater safety for children online.
Take care,

Arlene Stinson
Coordinator of Research and Corporate Advocacy
Defend Dignity
arlene.stinson@cmaacan.org
306-533-0529
defenddignity.ca
It is possible to end sexual exploitation!

Defend Dignity has moved to:

101-2580 Matheson Blvd East, Mississauga, ON L4W 4J1

From: Dawn Hawkins <dawn@ncose.com>

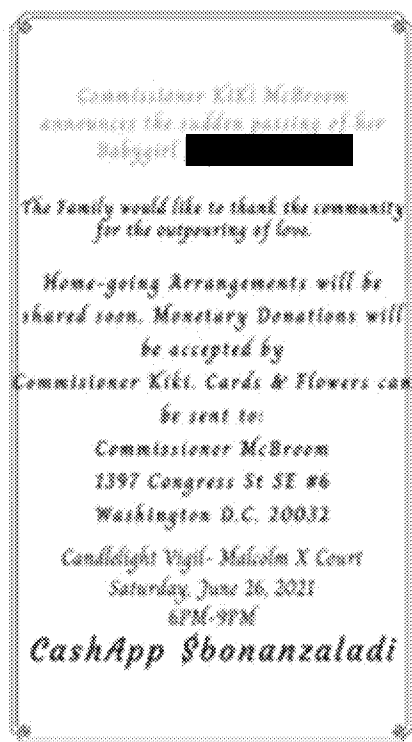
Sent: June 25, 2021 5:38 PM

To: Vaishnavi J <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; Jennifer Hanley <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; Karina Newton <[REDACTED]@fb.com>; Josh [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@fb.com>

Cc: Haley McNamara <haley@ncose.com>; Lina Nealon <linalnealon@ncose.com>; Glendyne Gerrard <glendyne.gerrard@cmacan.org>; Laila Mickelwait <lailamickelwait@justicedefensefund.com>; Lyn Kennedy <lyn@collectiveshout.org>; Tina Frundt <tfrundt@courtneyshouse.org>; phenry@courtneyshouse.org

Subject: Tragedy RE survivor abused on IG

It is with great sorrow and anger that I write to you now to share about the tragic passing this week of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was one of the teen sex trafficking survivors who wanted Courtney's House and the National Center on Sexual Exploitation to advocate for better safety protections on your platform to stop predators and sex traffickers from reaching out to vulnerable youth. She's one of the youth who would have met with you if that could have been organized. Unfortunately a trafficker connected with [REDACTED] 3 months ago on Instagram and coerced her back into the life, much of his communication with her on your platform. While there are still some unknown's surrounding her death, everyone believes she died because of the influence & actions of this man.



I have so many questions for you.

I really thought your team had built strong algorithms to detect grooming and that early last year, that was in near-complete development and ready for implementation. Why didn't it catch this – a 43-year old man reaching out to a young girl?

This policy change you shared with us about stopping adults from messaging minors when not friends came too late for [REDACTED]. She's one of the few who was asking you for this. Will this recent change you've made stop this from happening in the future? Will it go into effect only for new accounts or will it help youth who are

already on your platform?

I'm so heartbroken. Tina is in so much pain. The other youth and leaders at Courtney's House are in deep mourning. [REDACTED] family is trying to find the funds to pay for services.

I hope you can see the power you have to help prevent tragedy like this as your team must prioritize safety. [REDACTED] was a light to all who knew her. She advocated for human dignity and wanted you and other influencers like you to help stop this cycle.

The services are tomorrow evening. But, soon, I look forward to connecting about this tragedy, Instagram's role in it, and how it can be prevented in the future.

Best,



Dawn Hawkins
CEO, National Center on Sexual Exploitation
1201 F Street NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20004
(202)393-7245 | dawn@ncose.com | endsexualexploitation.org

P.S. Don't Miss:

- ◆ [NCOSE's 2020 Impact Report](#)
[2021 Coalition to End Sexual Exploitation Global Online Summit – REGISTER FOR FREE!](#)