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14 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
 15 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
 16 SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

17 WAYMO LLC,  
 18 Plaintiff,  
 19 v.  
 20 UBER TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,  
 OTTOMOTTO LLC; OTTO TRUCKING LLC,  
 21 Defendants.  
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Case No. 3:17-cv-00939-WHA

**DEFENDANTS UBER  
 TECHNOLOGIES, INC.,  
 OTTOMOTTO LLC'S, AND OTTO  
 TRUCKING LLC'S RESPONSE TO  
 THE COURT'S TEN QUESTIONS  
 (DKTS. 664, 693)**

Date: June 29, 2017  
 Time: 8:00 a.m.  
 Ctrm: 8, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Judge: Hon. William H. Alsup

Trial Date: October 10, 2017

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1 Defendants Uber Technologies, Inc. and Ottomotto LLC (collectively, “Uber”) and Otto  
2 Trucking LLC (“Otto Trucking”) (collectively, “Defendants”) submit the answers below to the  
3 Court’s questions (Dkts. 664, 693) based on information currently available to Defendants, which  
4 is limited by Waymo’s unjustified resistance to providing discovery. Otto Trucking states that it  
5 is unclear what relevance Waymo’s proposed motions *in limine* have to Otto Trucking. *See* Dkt.  
6 649. Otto Trucking is a separate entity from Uber and Ottomotto, and Otto Trucking is concerned  
7 that the inferences sought by Waymo, references to Defendants’ privilege assertions, and any  
8 instruction regarding those assertions will confuse the jury with respect to Otto Trucking’s role in  
9 this case. To the extent that any of these questions implicate Otto Trucking, however, Otto  
10 Trucking joins in Uber’s responses. Defendants reserve their rights to amend these answers as  
11 discovery proceeds and based on Waymo’s submission on these questions, pretrial filings, and  
12 trial presentation.

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14 **Question 1:** At trial, won’t both sides wish to affirmatively address the following question:  
15 What, if any, precautions did Uber take to make sure Levandowski didn’t use  
16 Waymo trade secrets at Uber? Isn’t this a legitimate question that the jury is likely  
to consider, even on its own, and also a question likely to be asked by counsel for  
both sides of individual fact witnesses, maybe even of experts as well?

17 Yes, Uber will present evidence of the precautions it took to ensure that Levandowski  
18 (and others) did not bring to Uber any proprietary information or trade secrets from their former  
19 employers, including Google (or Waymo). That evidence is relevant to showing that Uber never  
20 acquired, used, or disclosed any Waymo trade secrets. Cal. Civ. Code § 3246.1(b).

21 Uber agrees this is a legitimate question the jury is likely to consider, and also a question  
22 likely to be asked by counsel for both sides of individual fact and expert witnesses. Uber would  
23 object to such questions only to the extent they call for the disclosure of privileged information.  
24 Uber, likewise, would not rely on such privileged information to demonstrate the precautions it  
25 undertook. If the Court rules that certain information is not privileged, however, such as it did in  
26 its recent ruling on the Stroz Report, then (assuming that ruling is affirmed through trial), Uber  
27 may present such evidence to show additional precautions that it undertook.

28 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber’s response to the extent this question is relevant to

1 Otto Trucking.

2 **Question 2:** In addressing this question, should Uber be barred from referencing any precaution it  
3 undertook on which it has refused to reveal evidence, even if the refusal was based  
4 on a sustained claim of privilege and even if Uber otherwise has made a full  
disclosure on the subject? If Uber is barred from any such reference, under what  
circumstances could Waymo open the door?

5 Uber should be permitted to reference any precaution it undertook, except to the extent  
6 such reference would require Uber to reveal information over which Uber has asserted a privilege  
7 that has been sustained by the Court. As stated in Uber's June 1, 2017 submission (Dkt. 531),  
8 Uber intends to rely on non-privileged facts for its defense. In addition, if the Court overrules an  
9 assertion of privilege over certain information, then Uber may rely on that information as well.

10 Furthermore, with respect to any privileged information concerning Uber's precautions,  
11 Uber's decision not to waive attorney-client privilege or work product protection is proper.  
12 Uber's invocation of privilege does not bar Uber from offering non-privileged facts about its  
13 precautions. Privileged matter involving non-privileged facts and events always exists in a  
14 lawsuit, but only "non-privileged matter" is discoverable, and subsequently admissible at trial  
15 (absent waiver). Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(1). If parties were barred from referencing facts for which  
16 there was also privileged matter (they are not), then parties would almost never be permitted to  
17 offer those facts at trial.

18 Because Uber will not rely at trial on information protected by privilege, there are no  
19 circumstances in which Waymo should be allowed to "open the door" and reference such  
20 information. Only the party invoking privilege (here, Uber) can open the door. To hold  
21 otherwise would allow adversaries to force opponents to waive privilege or suffer adverse  
22 inferences. That is not permitted. *See* Dkt. 641 at 1–3. To the contrary, not only is Waymo  
23 prohibited from opening the door, but it should be barred from any argument that might lead the  
24 jury to draw an adverse inference against Uber based on its invocation of privilege, including any  
25 argument about the diligence investigation if the Court's order to produce the Stroz Report is  
26 reversed. *Knorr-Bremse Sys. Fuer Nutzfahrzeuge GMBH v. Dana Corp.*, 383 F.3d 1337, 1344  
27 (Fed. Cir. 2004) ("no adverse inference shall arise from invocation of the attorney-client and/or  
28 work product privilege").

1 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber's response to the extent this question is relevant to  
2 Otto Trucking, and believes jury confusion will arise particularly if Waymo takes the position that  
3 Uber opened the door to inquiry.

4 **Question 3:** In considering the question indented above, isn't it inevitable that the jury will learn  
5 that some precautions taken by Uber were taken by its counsel and that those  
6 precautions remain secret and privileged?

7 No. All parties should be precluded from presenting evidence of actions or  
8 communications over which another party has asserted a privilege sustained by the Court. Uber  
9 may present non-privileged evidence that it took steps A, B, and C to prevent Waymo's trade  
10 secrets from crossing the threshold into Uber, even if it took an additional step, D, that it cannot  
11 present without waiving the attorney-client or work product privileges. The jury would only learn  
12 about Step D if Waymo put on such evidence, which would be impermissible because Waymo's  
13 only purpose would be to invite the jury to draw an improper adverse inference, as explained in  
14 Uber's proposed motion *in limine*. Dkt. 641 at 1-3; *see also* Dkt. 531 at 2-3. Moreover, Uber is  
15 not asserting an advice-of-counsel defense, and any actions taken by counsel do not diminish  
16 Uber's ability to introduce its non-privileged precautions.

17 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber's response to the extent this question is relevant to  
18 Otto Trucking.

19 **Question 4:** If Waymo is precluded by privilege from showing what Uber and its counsel knew  
20 and when they knew it, should we tell the jury why Waymo has been precluded,  
21 with an appropriate instruction that invocation of privilege is a legitimate right and  
22 no adverse inference may be drawn therefrom?

23 No. The jury should not be told that Waymo has been precluded from discovery into  
24 privileged matters. Waymo is not entitled to such discovery, *see* Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(1), and  
25 juries may not draw adverse inferences based on the invocation of privilege, as shown by the  
26 legal authorities previously cited by Uber. *See* Dkt. 641 at 1-3. Waymo should not be permitted  
27 to present evidence that it was precluded from discovering certain privileged information because  
28 such evidence has no permissible probative value and would only be offered for an improper  
purpose. The resulting prejudice to Uber would be severe and could not be cured with an  
instruction. It must therefore be excluded under Federal Rules of Evidence 402 and 403.

1 If, contrary to the law, Waymo is permitted to argue that it was unable to discover  
2 privileged matters, or improperly asks the jury to speculate about Uber’s assertion of privilege,  
3 the Court should instruct the jury that Uber’s invocations are an absolute right and no adverse  
4 inference may be drawn therefrom. *See* CACI No. 215 (Exercise of a Communication Privilege).  
5 Such an instruction, however, could not protect against the severe prejudice that would result  
6 from that improper inference.

7 Finally, Uber disputes that Waymo would be “precluded” from offering proper evidence  
8 of what Uber and its counsel knew. Waymo obviously has access to the same non-privileged  
9 facts on which Uber would rely to address that question.

10 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber’s response to the extent this question is relevant to  
11 Otto Trucking. Otto Trucking believes the Court’s proposal will create jury confusion. An  
12 instruction and explanation will also create jury confusion as to how Otto Trucking fits into this  
13 case.

14 **Question 5:** To what extent may Uber argue to the jury that Waymo has failed to present proof  
15 that Uber knew or suspected Levandowski had stolen Waymo trade secrets where  
16 Uber has asserted privilege over what it actually knew or suspected? Would such an  
17 argument by Uber open the door to an explanation to the jury that Uber has asserted  
18 privilege over what it knew or suspected? To avoid this, should Uber be limited to  
19 arguing only that within the universe of non-privileged materials produced by Uber,  
20 Waymo has failed to find damning evidence?

21 Uber should be permitted to argue to the jury that Waymo has failed to present proof that  
22 Uber knew or suspected Levandowski had (allegedly) stolen Waymo trade secrets. The assertion  
23 of a privilege by Uber should not prevent Uber from making this argument to the jury. Both Uber  
24 and Waymo must present non-privileged evidence to the jury, and it is appropriate and fair for  
25 Uber to argue to the jury that Waymo’s evidence does not prove that Uber knew or suspected that  
26 trade secrets had been taken. Uber and Waymo can both argue about what the non-privileged  
27 facts do or do not show.

28 An argument by Uber about what Waymo’s evidence shows (or fails to show) does not  
“open the door” to allowing Waymo to introduce evidence of Uber’s assertion of privilege, or try  
to suggest to the jury what it should infer from that privilege.

Uber will be limited to arguing what is shown by the universe of non-privileged facts

1 because neither Uber nor Waymo will be introducing privileged information. There should be no  
2 requirement that Uber limit its arguments by formulating them by express reference to “non-  
3 privileged evidence.” Both parties should simply be required to present only non-privileged  
4 evidence and to argue about what that evidence shows.

5 In respect of all of the above, any evidence that the Court rules is not privileged should be  
6 considered “non-privileged” and fair for full use by either side at trial, notwithstanding that it may  
7 previously have been the subject of a privilege claim (such as the Stroz Report).

8 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber’s response to the extent this question is relevant to  
9 Otto Trucking.

10 **Question 6:** Waymo should not argue or imply that invocation of a privilege was a coverup —  
11 except to the extent the Court has overruled the claim of privilege. Agreed?

12 Uber agrees that Waymo should be precluded from arguing or implying at trial that Uber’s  
13 invocation of a privilege was a “coverup.” Uber does not agree that Waymo should be permitted  
14 to make such arguments or implications if the Court has overruled the claim of privilege.

15 As shown in the case law Uber previously cited to the Court, it is improper for a party to  
16 suggest to the jury that it should draw an adverse inference from the other party’s assertion of a  
17 privilege. Dkt. 641 at 1–3; Dkt. 531 at 2-3. Moreover, while this is not the basis for our answer,  
18 it is worth noting that Judge Corley rejected the “coverup” theory at last week’s hearing on  
19 Waymo’s motion to compel. Order on Uber’s Privilege Log (Dkt. 731) at 2 (“Further, based on  
20 the Court’s review of the entire record in this case, including the in camera Stroz Report, the  
21 Court found that Uber retained MoFo to conduct an investigation into Levandowski and Otto and  
22 to create an evidentiary record that would govern Uber’s obligation to indemnify Levandowski  
23 and Otto in any lawsuit brought by Waymo. The Court does not find that Uber retained MoFo to  
24 assist with obtaining Waymo’s trade secrets.”).

25 To the extent the Court overrules a claim of privilege, the information simply becomes  
26 non-privileged and is, like all other non-privileged evidence, potentially admissible at trial. That  
27 Uber invoked and declined to waive a privilege that the Court ultimately overruled is not  
28 something the jury should ever hear, as it would unfairly prejudice Uber based on its good faith

1 assertion of privilege and improperly invite the jury to speculate about Uber’s privilege  
2 assertions. Any other ruling would contradict the case law holding that a party’s assertion of a  
3 privilege may not be used to persuade a jury to draw an adverse inference. Dkt. 641 at 1–3.

4 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber’s response to the extent this question is relevant to  
5 Otto Trucking. Otto Trucking further states:

6 Otto Trucking does not believe Waymo should be allowed to argue or imply any  
7 “coverup” with respect to Otto Trucking, as no such evidence exists. As stated before, any such  
8 argument or implication about a coverup could create considerable confusion as to how Otto  
9 Trucking fits into this case. As such, Otto Trucking agrees that the invocation of privilege does  
10 not constitute a “coverup” as it is well-established that no adverse inference may be drawn from  
11 the invocation of privilege. *See* Dkt. 649 at 3.

12 The assertion of privilege protections should not be considered a “coverup.” First, as  
13 Uber points out, Waymo’s argument that Defendants have used counsel to cover up the alleged  
14 misappropriation was rejected by Judge Corley. Order on Uber’s Privilege Log (Dkt. 731) at 2.  
15 Allowing Waymo to imply a coverup simply because documents were withheld based on a  
16 reasonable belief that the materials were privileged, even if the Court ultimately disagrees,  
17 amounts to an improper sanction as Otto Trucking has not violated any court order. *See*  
18 *Genetech, Inc. v. U.S. Int’l Trade Comm’n*, 122 F.3d 1409, 1422-23 (Fed. Cir. 1997) (collecting  
19 cases holding sanctions require a predicate violation of a court order).

20 Further, if the Court overrules a party’s initial claim of privilege, presumably that party  
21 will produce the documents withheld on the grounds of privilege. Thus, no adverse inference  
22 regarding a “coverup” is necessary because the substance of the documents will be available for  
23 the parties to use to argue on the merits whether a “coverup” existed or not. Established public  
24 policy favors resolution of issue on the merits. *See Wendt v. Host International, Inc.*, 125 F.3d  
25 806, 814 (9th Cir. 1997) (reversing evidentiary sanction in part because public policy favors  
26 disposition of cases on their merits).

27 Moreover, should the Court disagree with the assertion of privilege, and the documents at  
28 issue are produced, no inference of a coverup is warranted or appropriate because Defendants will

1 have complied with the Court's order. *See Genentech*, 122 F.3d at 1423 (reversing sanction  
2 because plaintiff produced documents after ordered to do so).

3 **Question 7:** Under what circumstances, if any, would possession by Morrison & Foerster or  
4 Stroz Friedberg of any downloads in question be admissible (if true) to show  
5 unlawful acquisition or use by Uber, assuming the downloaded information qualifies  
6 as trade secrets?

6 None. First, the contract between Levandowski and Stroz makes clear that Stroz and  
7 MoFo received access to Levandowski's materials under strict conditions that did not permit  
8 Stroz or MoFo to provide those materials to Uber. Gardner-Stroz Side Letter (Dkt. 545-7).  
9 Second, case law holds that an agent's possession of trade secrets cannot automatically be  
10 attributed to the principal for purposes of showing misappropriation.

11 The scope of MoFo's agency on behalf of Uber did not give Uber the power to control or  
12 possess the materials that Levandowski provided to Stroz. Levandowski placed strict conditions  
13 on the use and distribution of those materials, including a prohibition on their distribution to Uber  
14 or other parties. *See* Dkt. 545-7. Indeed, Waymo's counsel acknowledged that Uber did not  
15 control Stroz with respect to the material that Levandowski provided it. 6/23/17 Hr'g Tr. at  
16 42:10-13 (Mr. Verhoeven: "And so you still have an independent expert out there who Uber has  
17 no control over, who they allege Levandowski has control over to a certain extent in a way that  
18 conflicts with the interests of Uber...."). To this day, Levandowski has not relinquished that  
19 control, and neither he nor Stroz provided any Google material to Uber. Uber also never  
20 exercised control over, or had the right to control, any Google material that may have come into  
21 MoFo's possession because any such information could be disclosed per the terms of Stroz's  
22 engagement only on an outside counsel attorneys' eyes only basis. Dkt. 370-3 at 3. And MoFo  
23 has never provided any such material to Uber. As this Court's Model Protective Orders  
24 demonstrate, it is entirely appropriate for competitively sensitive material to be provided only to  
25 outside counsel specifically to prevent the client from possessing it.

26 In the Ninth Circuit, "it is generally not appropriate to direct a jury to impute an agent's  
27 knowledge 'of a secret to the principal.'" *Droeger v. Welsh Sporting Goods Corp.*, 541 F.2d 790,  
28 792-93 (9th Cir. 1976) (reversible error to instruct jury that defendant could not defend

1 misappropriation claim by pointing to its agent’s failure to tell defendant’s other employees about  
2 the trade secrets the agent allegedly received). Instructing the jury to the contrary “would permit  
3 recovery even when the trade secret was not actually communicated to or used by the principal.”  
4 *Id.* at 793. A “plaintiff is not entitled to a windfall when in fact there has been no invasion of  
5 those interests which trade-secret law seeks to protect.” *Id.* These rulings are in accord with  
6 California’s rejection of the inevitable disclosure doctrine.

7 It is especially inappropriate to impute knowledge of any purported agent here. As noted  
8 above, Uber did not exercise control over, or have the right to control, any Google material  
9 Levandowski may have provided to Stroz. And Uber cannot be liable for acquisition of material  
10 it does not control, when it has not engaged in “pointed conduct intended to secure dominion over  
11 the thing.” *Silvaco Data Sys. v. Intel Corp.*, 184 Cal. App. 4th 210, 223 (2010), *disapproved of*  
12 *on other grounds by Kwikset Corp. v. Superior Court*, 51 Cal. 4th 310 (2011). Levandowski, not  
13 Uber or its counsel, at all times controlled access to any Google material he provided to Stroz  
14 pursuant to his contract with Stroz. Thus, there can be no liability on the part of Uber for any  
15 possession by MoFo or Stroz on any theory, such as ratification or respondeat superior liability.

16 Furthermore, even if any possession by MoFo or Stroz were imputed to Uber, any  
17 probative value of such evidence would be vastly outweighed by the resulting unfair prejudice to  
18 Uber because Waymo has no legitimate damages claim based on possession alone—especially  
19 possession only by outside counsel and its forensics vendor. CACI No. 4405 (“In some cases, the  
20 mere acquisition of a trade secret, as distinguished from a related disclosure or use, will not result  
21 in damages . . .”); *see also Silvaco*, 184 Cal. App. 4th at 223 (“One does not ordinarily ‘acquire’ a  
22 thing inadvertently; the term implies conduct directed to that objective. The choice of that term  
23 over ‘receive’ suggests that inadvertently coming into possession of a trade secret will not  
24 constitute acquisition. Thus one who passively receives a trade secret, but neither discloses nor  
25 uses it, would not be guilty of misappropriation.”). Lastly, any *possession* by MoFo or Stroz  
26 certainly cannot be evidence of *use* of trade secrets by Uber, and cannot be admitted for that  
27 purpose.

28 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber’s response to the extent this question is relevant to

1 Otto Trucking. Under no circumstances should MoFo's or Stroz's possession of any materials at  
2 issue be considered unlawful acquisition or use by Otto Trucking. Otto Trucking is an entity that  
3 is completely separate from Uber and Ottomotto. Otto Trucking merely has a joint defense  
4 relationship with MoFo by nature of MoFo's representation of Uber and Ottomotto. Earlier in  
5 this case, MoFo also served as joint counsel to Ottomotto, Uber, and Otto Trucking. However,  
6 such a joint representation does not automatically confer a custodial relationship over materials  
7 obtained for a different client. There is no agency or other custodial relationship that would  
8 impute their possession of any materials onto Otto Trucking.

9 **Question 8:** Both sides should lay out their affirmative evidentiary case on what Uber or its  
10 counsel knew and when they knew it, so that we can evaluate which actual items of  
11 proof ought to be challenged in limine. (This should be at least three of your fifteen  
12 pages.)

12 Uber's affirmative evidentiary case on these matters is set forth below. Uber is still  
13 conducting witness interviews and its factual investigation, and thus this filing does not limit the  
14 evidence that Uber will present at trial.

- 15 • Prior to the filing of this lawsuit, no one at Uber knew that Levandowski had downloaded  
16 any Google proprietary information for any improper purpose or that he had deliberately  
17 taken any Google proprietary information with him when he left Google, as now alleged  
18 by Waymo.
- 19 • No one at Uber ever asked Levandowski to download or take Google information or  
20 endorsed him doing so.
- 21 • Uber prohibits new employees, including Levandowski, from bringing or using any  
22 proprietary information of their former employers to Uber and takes precautions to  
23 prevent new employees from bringing or using such information in the performance of  
24 their duties at Uber.
- 25 • Levandowski signed an employment agreement with Ottomotto stating that "We wish to  
26 impress upon you that we do not want you to, and we hereby direct you not to, bring with  
27 you any confidential or proprietary material of any former employer or to violate any  
28 other obligations you may have to any former employer." Ottomotto Employment Agrmt.

1 (Dkt. 660-1).

- 2 • Levandowski also signed an employee invention assignment and confidentiality  
3 agreement with Ottomotto in which he represented: “I will not bring with me to the  
4 Company or use in the performance of my duties for the Company any documents or  
5 materials or intangibles of my own or of a former employer or third party that are not  
6 generally available for use by the public or have not been legally transferred to the  
7 Company.” (UBER00006920)
- 8 • Likewise, when Levandowski joined Uber, he signed an employment agreement with  
9 Uber in which he promised not to “use or disclose any trade secrets or other proprietary  
10 information or intellectual property in which you or any other person has any right, title,  
11 or interest and your Employment will not infringe or violate the rights of any other  
12 person.” Uber Employment Agrmt. (Dkt. 661-1).
- 13 • In his employment agreement with Uber, Levandowski also agreed to “represent and  
14 warrant to the Company that you have returned or destroyed all property and confidential  
15 information belonging to any prior employer.” Uber Employment Agrmt. (Dkt. 661-1).
- 16 • In his confidential information and invention assignment agreement with Uber,  
17 Levandowski represented to Uber: “I will not disclose to the Company or use any  
18 inventions, confidential or non-public proprietary information or material belonging to  
19 any previous client, employer or any other party. I will not induce the Company to use any  
20 inventions, confidential or non-public proprietary information, or material belonging to  
21 any previous client, employer or any other party.” (UBER00017092)
- 22 • Uber employees, including John Bares, impressed upon Levandowski the importance of  
23 not relying on proprietary information of prior employers, including but not limited to  
24 Google. Uber instructed Levandowski not to bring such information to Uber or use such  
25 information in the performance of his duties at Uber, and Bares never knew of  
26 Levandowski having taken Google proprietary information with him when he left Google.  
27 Bares Dep. Tr. at 49-50.
- 28 • Sometime prior to March 11, 2016, Levandowski told his Ottomotto and Otto Trucking

1 (collectively, “Otto”) colleague Lior Ron that he had found five discs in his home that  
2 contained Google information. Ron Dep. Tr. at 26. Ron asked Levandowski if this  
3 information had ever touched any Otto system or had been used at Otto, and was told that  
4 it had not. *Id.* at 27. Ron also told Levandowski that he should discuss this with his  
5 lawyers and Otto’s lawyers, and that he should report this fact to Uber. *Id.* Levandowski  
6 did not tell Ron that he had downloaded any Google proprietary information for any  
7 improper purpose or that he had deliberately taken any Google proprietary information  
8 with him when he left Google. Instead, Levandowski reported that these five discs were  
9 still in his home from the time when he used to work at Google. *Id.* at 26.

- 10 • On March 11, 2016, as Ron had advised, Levandowski reported to Uber executives Travis  
11 Kalanick, Cameron Poetzsch, and Nina Qi that he had found five discs in his home with  
12 Google information. Kalanick emphatically told Levandowski that Uber did not want any  
13 such information, that Levandowski should not bring any such information to Uber, and to  
14 talk to his lawyer. *See* Poetzsch Dep. Tr. at 249-56; Qi Dep. Tr. at 278-285; Ron Dep.  
15 Tr. at 29-31. The instruction that Levandowski was not to bring any Google proprietary  
16 information to Uber was consistent with other instructions Levandowski had previously  
17 received and with the written agreements he was required to sign.
- 18 • Later in the day on March 11, 2016, Levandowski conveyed to Ron that he had destroyed  
19 the discs, and Ron conveyed this to Qi. Shortly thereafter, Levandowski also conveyed to  
20 Poetzsch that he had destroyed the discs. Qi Dep. Tr. at 289; Poetzsch Dep. Tr. at  
21 258; Ron Dep. Tr. at 264-66.
- 22 • During these conversations, Levandowski did not tell or suggest to Kalanick, Poetzsch,  
23 or Qi that he had downloaded any Google proprietary information for any improper  
24 purpose or that he had deliberately taken any Google proprietary information with him  
25 when he left Google, as Waymo now alleges occurred.
- 26 • Uber is not aware of any communication between Levandowski and anyone employed by  
27 Uber that predates the filing of this lawsuit and in which Levandowski communicated that  
28 he had downloaded any Google proprietary information for any improper purpose or that

1 he had deliberately taken any Google proprietary information with him when he left  
2 Google, as Waymo now alleges occurred.

- 3 • With the filing of this lawsuit, Uber first learned that Waymo believed and was alleging  
4 that Levandowski had deliberately downloaded Google proprietary information with the  
5 intent to take it with him and that Levandowski took that information with him when he  
6 left Google.
- 7 • Waymo's allegations in this lawsuit, and subsequent presentation of evidence of  
8 Levandowski's downloading, was the first time that anyone at Uber learned that  
9 Levandowski may have engaged in improper downloading and theft of Google  
10 information as alleged by Waymo.
- 11 • Uber believes that the downloading of files by Levandowski had nothing to do with  
12 Levandowski's future employment at Uber. This is consistent with the complete lack of  
13 evidence that such files exist at, or have ever been used by, Uber. Rather, Uber believes  
14 that the downloading was done in relation to Levandowski's employment at Google,  
15 specifically to ensure the expected payment of Levandowski's \$120 million bonus from  
16 Google. Of that total bonus, approximately \$50 million was payable as of October 2015,  
17 but was paid in late December 2015, and approximately \$70 million was paid in August  
18 2016. Uber's factual investigation and discovery is ongoing but we anticipate presenting  
19 this and other evidence at trial.
- 20 • Uber never used any Google trade secrets or patented technology in the development of  
21 the technology at issue in this case.
- 22 • No Uber employee is aware of Levandowski ever using any Google proprietary  
23 information in the performance of his duties at Ottomotto or Uber. In fact, Uber engineers  
24 will testify about how they independently developed Uber's technology.
- 25 • In March 2017, within approximately a month of the filing of this lawsuit, Levandowski  
26 asserted his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination.
- 27 • In Spring 2017, Uber made formal demands of Levandowski, including specifically that  
28 he cooperate in Uber's investigation, fact gathering, and defense of the lawsuit, and in

1 particular demanded that Levandowski return anything belonging to Waymo that he might  
2 still have in his possession or control.

- 3 • After Levandowski failed to cooperate as directed, Uber terminated Levandowski's  
4 employment by letter dated May 26, 2017.

5 This response to the Court's question is based on non-privileged information. As  
6 discovery proceeds, and if the Court's ruling regarding the Stroz Report remains in place, Uber  
7 will be able to supplement this response with additional information. In addition, Uber is still  
8 investigating and taking discovery on the alleged downloads, and reserves the right to further  
9 challenge and rebut the inferences Waymo is trying to draw.

10 Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber's response to the extent this question is relevant to  
11 Otto Trucking. Otto Trucking further states that at trial, Otto Trucking intends to produce at least  
12 two witnesses who will testify and introduce evidence that Otto Trucking is separate from Uber  
13 and Ottomotto, has no employees, and never received or was in possession of any of Waymo's  
14 trade secrets.

15 **Question 9:** At trial, will either side introduce summary evidence or present results of internal  
16 investigations? If so, what specifically? For example, does either side expect to  
17 present a witness to testify that many employees were interviewed and none of them  
18 ever received any information about Waymo, or that many gigabytes of Uber emails  
19 were searched for keywords and none showed traces of Waymo trade secrets? If so,  
20 make your specific offer of proof and explain how it would avoid hearsay problems  
21 and why it would be admissible.

22 Yes. At trial, Uber intends to introduce evidence of its extensive and comprehensive  
23 efforts, both prior to and after the Court's Preliminary Injunction Order, to locate in Uber's files  
24 any copies of the "Downloaded Materials." Such evidence will include expert testimony about  
25 the search and whether there were file name or hash value matches for the 14,000 allegedly  
26 downloaded files, and potentially testimony from Uber personnel about file name or hash value  
27 matches. Such evidence also may potentially include testimony from outside counsel about any  
28 other non-privileged aspects of the search. This evidence is relevant to showing that Uber never  
acquired or used any of the purported trade secrets allegedly contained within the Downloaded  
Materials. There are no hearsay issues because Uber will present this evidence through a forensic  
expert that either participated in, or is familiar with, this work, and through Uber personnel or

1 outside counsel, including counsel for Waymo, who were percipient witnesses in connection with  
2 the subject matter of the testimony.

3         Should it become necessary, Uber will also present evidence of its numerous interviews  
4 with employees, officers, directors, and suppliers pursuant to this Court’s Preliminary Injunction  
5 Order to determine whether any of them saw or heard the Downloaded Materials. This evidence  
6 is admissible under Federal Rules of Evidence 803(6) and 807 because these interviews were  
7 conducted by officers of the Court—attorneys at MoFo—pursuant to a Court order, for the  
8 purpose of reporting information to the Court, and conducting investigations is an activity  
9 regularly performed by attorneys. MoFo attorneys would testify as to the number of interviews  
10 and the fact that, to date, none of the persons interviewed reported having seen or heard the  
11 Downloaded Materials outside of the allegations in this case or press reports of same. In this  
12 regard, attorneys would provide testimony only on efforts to comply with this Court’s  
13 Preliminary Injunction Order.

14         Alternatively, or in addition, Uber may offer testimony from an expert who will opine on  
15 the adequacy of Uber’s efforts to locate any of the Downloaded Materials. There are no hearsay  
16 issues because such expert could base his opinion on information obtained from another of Uber’s  
17 testifying experts, Uber personnel, and/or outside counsel, irrespective of the admissibility of that  
18 underlying data, pursuant to Federal Rule of Evidence 703.

19         Uber does not intend to introduce any evidence, summary or otherwise, of any privileged  
20 “internal investigation.” It will not introduce evidence of the Stroz due diligence if the Court’s  
21 ruling regarding the Stroz Report is reversed. If that ruling stands, however, then the Stroz  
22 Report becomes non-privileged evidence on which Uber may rely. There would be no hearsay  
23 issues because a forensic expert from Stroz could explain the process and results.

24         Otto Trucking joins and adopts Uber’s response to the extent this question is relevant to  
25 Otto Trucking. Otto Trucking further states that at trial, Otto Trucking intends to produce at least  
26 two witnesses who will testify and introduce evidence that Otto Trucking is separate from Uber  
27 and Ottomotto, has no employees, and never received or was in possession of any of Waymo’s  
28 trade secrets.

1 **Question 10:** At trial, will either side introduce in evidence the privilege logs or information  
2 gleaned therefrom? If so, what information will be presented, by which sponsoring  
witness, and for what purpose?

3 No. Uber will not introduce privilege logs or their contents at trial, and Waymo should  
4 not be permitted to do so. Privilege logs are not trial evidence; they are tools to facilitate  
5 discovery. The fact that a privilege claim may be challenged and overruled during discovery only  
6 means that the withheld information can be used at trial, like any other non-privileged evidence.

7 The privilege logs are also irrelevant to Waymo’s claims (and thus must be excluded  
8 under Rule 402), and their contents are inadmissible hearsay. Even assuming Waymo could clear  
9 those hurdles, their use at trial would be far more prejudicial than probative, and confusing to the  
10 jury, under Rule 403. The only reason Waymo would want to tell the jury about Uber’s logs is to  
11 encourage the jury to draw an impermissible adverse inference against Uber based on the  
12 invocation of privilege or work-product protection. *See, e.g., Knorr-Bremse Sys.*, 383 F.3d at  
13 1344 (“no adverse inference shall arise from invocation of the attorney-client and/or work product  
14 privilege”); Dkt. 641 at 1-3.

15 If Waymo were permitted to present evidence of these logs, the proceedings would  
16 quickly devolve from a trial on the elements of Waymo’s claims to a mini-trial on the standards  
17 and propriety of invoking privilege. Adding to the confusion, the jury would need to be  
18 instructed that it cannot speculate on the contents of logged documents, that Uber has an absolute  
19 right not to disclose privileged information, and that the jury cannot consider the fact that Uber  
20 did not disclose such communications. *See, e.g., CACI No. 215 (Exercise of a Communication  
21 Privilege)*. But there should be no need for any such curative instruction because there should not  
22 be any disclosure of privilege logs that could lead to prejudice in the first place.

23 Otto Trucking does not intend to introduce its privilege logs or information gleaned from  
24 those logs.

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