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Your request for registration of Delta Chat regarding provided services in Russia

Dear Sirs and Madams,

on April 27th 2020 we received your request by e-mail to delta@merlinux.eu to register for provided messaging services in Russia for the application Delta Chat which we indeed develop and distribute through various channels. If we understand your request correctly, you also requested access to decryption keys and access to user data.

However, Delta Chat is an e-mail application. We do not operate any messaging services for Delta Chat and we thus do not have any access to Delta Chat user data or decryption keys. Merlinux is not a provider of messaging services and does not act as a data controller or processor (as per GDPR definitions). Please note that even if a german court were to order access to user data we would not be able to comply because we have no data at all.

We therefore kindly request that you strike us from your list of service providers.

For your information, Delta Chat applications allow users to choose their e-mail providers at their own discretion and without knowledge from us as application developers. In particular, we have no registry of e-mail addresses, no access to keys, no access to metadata and no access to content of any message which Delta Chat users send with each other.

If you have any further questions please refer to us using english or german. We are not legally bound to answer letters written in Russian.

best regards and thanks,

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