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Country	Citizens Targeted	Acknowledged the rights violation	Took measures to address the issue.	Subsequent ban on use of Pegasus on citizens
France	$\mathbf{Y}$	$\checkmark$	¥	¥
USA	Y	¥	$\overline{\mathbf{Y}}$	¥
Mexico	Y	Y	<b>Y</b>	X
UK UK	Y	Y	×	Y
<b>□</b> Israel	X	Y	$\overline{\mathbf{Y}}$	$lue{lack}$
India	Y	×	×	X







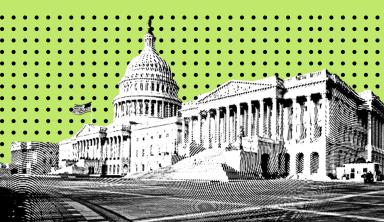
#### **France**

- Pegasus was used to target one of the numbers used by French president, and at least 5 cabinet ministers.
- Within 24 hours of the reports, France ordered a series of investigations.
- It was the first country to officially confirm Pegasus use on its citizens.
- Israel offered to ban the targeting of French numbers by future NSO Group clients.



## **United States of America**

- The US Commerce Department's Bureau of Industry and Security added the NSO group to its Entity List for Malicious Cyber Activities.
- US Companies will also not be able to sell technology to the NSO group anymore.



## **United States of America**

Apple Inc. sued the NSO group after its products

were targeted by the Pegasus spyware repeatedly by exploiting vulnerabilities in them.

This suit follows in the footsteps of Whatsapp Inc, which seeks to hold NSO liable for using Whatsapp's servers to deliver the Pegasus spyware.

IFF was part of the group which filed an amici brief before the Federal County of appeals in California for the WhatsApp lawsuit.



### Mexico

 The Mexican government revealed that its previous two administrations had spent \$61 million to acquire Pegasus from the NSO group.

## **United Kingdom**

- In October, the English Courts found that Dubai's ruler had infiltrated his ex-wife's phone (as well as the phones of her lawyers) via Pegasus during their ongoing legal battle.
- Within hours of this ruling, it was reported that Pegasus "is no longer effective against UK numbers".

### Israel

- In the immediate aftermath of the Pegasus Project reports, Israel set up a senior interministerial team to look into the revelations.
- The Israeli Government has also tried to distance itself from the NSO group.

"NSO is a private company, it is not a governmental project and therefore even if it is designated, it has nothing to do with the policies of the Israeli government"

Now, in a bid to prevent misuse, the Israeli
Defence Ministry has announced that it will be
tightening supervision over cyber exports.



### India

- The Union government has refused to accept or deny the use of Pegasus.
- It failed to initiate any investigations into the Pegasus revelations, even though Indian citizens were targeted.
- However, the Supreme Court has constituted a Committee of Experts to look into allegations after it was approached by affected parties.
- The Government of West Bengal set up a 2
  member Commission to investigate the issue.
   IFF's Executive Director Apar Gupta deposed as a
  witness before the Commission last month.

