



May 19, 2026

To:

SOMO Research Department

Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations
KNSM-iaan 17, 1019 LA Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Email: [REDACTED]

Re: Request for Comment, SOMO Publication on Netherlands Investment

Dear SOMO Research Department,

Thank you for your letter dated May 14, 2026 and for providing Check Point the opportunity to respond.

Check Point has operated as an independent commercial enterprise for more than 30 years. Our mission is simple and consistent: making our world a safer place to live and work through cyber security.

Check Point is a publicly traded company listed on NASDAQ, with global operations, employees, partners, and customers across six continents. While founded in Israel, the company operates as a multinational corporation with substantial business activities in the United States, Europe, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America.

Our entire portfolio consists of defensive cyber security products and services, including firewalls, endpoint security, cloud security, network security management, and threat intelligence. We help protect businesses, hospitals, universities, financial institutions, critical infrastructure operators, educational institutions, and governments from cyber attacks and digital crime.

Check Point does not manufacture weapons, develop offensive cyber capabilities, provide surveillance technology, or supply intelligence-gathering tools of any kind. Our technologies are designed exclusively to help organizations defend themselves against malicious cyber activity.

Like every major global cyber security provider, Check Point serves both commercial and public sector customers around the world. Providing cyber security services to government entities in one country, including Israel, does not distinguish Check Point from other international technology companies, nor does it make the company party to the policies or actions of any government. The same commercial cyber security services we provide in Israel are also provided to customers in Germany, France, Brazil, Japan, Australia, the United States, and many other countries. As a matter of company policy and security practice, Check Point does not comment on, confirm, or deny the identity of specific customers. That said, in any event, none of our customers can use our products for any offensive activity, as our technologies are truly defensive by nature



The backgrounds or prior public service of individual founders or executives do not define the activities or purpose of the company itself. Check Point operates independently as a global commercial enterprise governed by the legal, regulatory, and fiduciary obligations applicable to a publicly traded corporation.

The blog posts referenced in your letter reflect factual reporting on observed cyberattack patterns and threat actor behavior - the same kind of reporting regularly published by cyber security companies, academic institutions, and independent researchers worldwide. Documenting increases in cyberattacks during periods of geopolitical conflict, or analyzing capabilities attributed to state-sponsored actors, is standard practice in the cyber security industry. Such research is intended to help organizations better defend themselves and does not constitute political alignment with any government or military actor.

Check Point's threat intelligence and cyber research teams publish findings relating to cyber activity originating from many regions and countries around the world. Our research serves defenders globally, regardless of nationality or political context.

Regarding the Netherlands, Check Point's Dutch entity is part of the company's long-established international corporate structure that supports its global operations. Like many multinational companies, Check Point uses international entities to manage its operations and it would be incorrect to suggest that this structure implies political affiliation or improper conduct.

Check Point adheres to all applicable laws and regulations in each country in which it operates. We maintain strict internal compliance mechanisms and processes to ensure that our business activities meet all relevant legal and regulatory requirements across our global operations.

We appreciate the opportunity to clarify these points and trust that any reference to Check Point in your publication will accurately reflect the company's role as a global provider of defensive cyber security technologies.

Sincerely,

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kip E. Meintzer'.

Kip Meintzer

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