
TikTok Warns US Ban Threatens Free Speech: Staggering Impact.

Description

TikTok is worried about a US law that could ban it unless it is sold. The law aims to protect American user data from China. TikTok and ByteDance claim they have no connection to the Chinese government. They filed a lawsuit arguing that the law violates the rights of their 170 million American users.

During a court hearing in Washington DC, TikTok's lawyer argued that the law restricts free speech without solid evidence of wrongdoing. The lawyer highlighted that TikTok's ownership is a Cayman Islands company, not a Chinese one. However, judges expressed concerns about Chinese control over the company.

Creators, like Tiffany Cianci, fear the law may limit their choices. She livestreamed outside the courthouse and questioned the security concerns used to justify the law.

Getty Images Tiffany Cianci shown holding her smartphone to her ear while filming herself on a smartphone at the

TikTok's fate hangs in the balance as the court decides its future. The case could eventually reach the Supreme Court.

Vocabulary List:

1. **Restricts** /rɪ'strɪkts/ (verb): To limit or control something.
2. **Violation** /vaɪə'leɪʃən/ (noun): The act of breaking a rule or law.
3. **Jurisdiction** /,dʒʊərə'ɪs'dɪkʃən/ (noun): The official power to make legal decisions and judgments.
4. **Concerns** /kən'sɜːnz/ (noun): Worries or doubts about something.
5. **Connection** /kə'neɪkʃən/ (noun): A relationship or association between two or more things.
6. **Livestreamed** /'laɪv.stri:md/ (verb): To broadcast live video over the internet.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. What is the primary concern for TikTok regarding a US law?

Option: Becoming publicly traded

Option: User data protection from China



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- Option: Regulating content creation
 - Option: Expanding globally

2. How many American users are affected by the potential ban of TikTok?

- Option: 100 million
- Option: 150 million
- Option: 170 million
- Option: 200 million

3. What is the ownership structure of TikTok according to its lawyer?

- Option: Chinese government-owned
- Option: Cayman Islands company
- Option: European conglomerate
- Option: American corporation

4. What location held the court hearing regarding TikTok?

- Option: Los Angeles
- Option: New York City
- Option: Washington DC
- Option: Chicago

5. What is one of the concerns expressed by judges about TikTok?

- Option: Impact on global economy
- Option: Violating user privacy
- Option: Chinese control over the company
- Option: Data encryption issues

6. What is one of the fears of creators like Tiffany Cianci regarding the law?

- Option: Revenue loss
- Option: Content censorship
- Option: Limiting choices
- Option: Data breaches

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. User data protection from China 2. 170 million 3. Cayman Islands company 4. Washington DC 5. Chinese control over the company 6. Limiting choices

Vocabulary quizzes



Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which process involves gradual development and change over time?

- Option: Evolved
- Option: Pectoral
- Option: Prey
- Option: Habitat

2. Who is responsible for enforcing rules and regulations?

- Option: Encourage
- Option: Authorities
- Option: Worries
- Option: Habitat

3. What should be monitored to ensure compliance?

- Option: Surveyed
- Option: Encourage
- Option: Content
- Option: Worries

4. Who should ensure the safe and proper functioning of systems?

- Option: Regulator
- Option: Responsible
- Option: Regulation
- Option: Astronaut

5. What determines the territory where regulations apply?

- Option: Restricts
- Option: Violation
- Option: Jurisdiction
- Option: Concerns

6. What must be protected in the context of data collection?

- Option: Connection
- Option: Livestreamed
- Option: Privacy
- Option: Clarify

7. Which state is desirable for ecosystems to thrive?

- Option: Monitor
- Option: Healthier
- Option: Regulator



Option: Concern

8. Which term describes situations presenting difficulties or issues?

Option: Clarify

Option: Content

Option: Problematic

Option: Responsible

9. Who typically travels and works in space?

Option: Regulation

Option: Astronaut

Option: Clarity

Option: Satellite

10. What is crucial for communication between devices?

Option: Privacy

Option: Concern

Option: Connection

Option: Livestreamed

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The area was thoroughly _____ to gather data for analysis.

12. Teachers should _____ students to ask questions and seek knowledge.

13. The new policy _____ employees from using social media during work hours.

14. The meeting addressed the major _____ of the community regarding the proposed construction project.

15. The presentation lacked _____ causing confusion among the audience.

16. The industry is overseen by a government _____ that sets standards for operation.

17. Repeated _____ of the safety protocols led to severe penalties for the company.

18. Parents often have _____ about their children's well-being especially when they are away from home.



19. Conservation efforts aim to protect the natural _____ of endangered species.
20. The research groups worked _____ to reach their findings without any collaboration.

Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

21. Weightlifters often focus on strengthening their chest and shoulder .
22. The treasure was deep underground to hide it from looters.
23. The government agency acts as a for ensuring fair competition in the market.
24. It is essential to constantly the temperature of the sensitive equipment.
25. The concert was online for fans who could not attend in person.
26. The company introduced a new dress code to improve professionalism.
27. The welfare of animals in captivity is a major for animal rights activists.
28. The weather provides data on storms and atmospheric conditions.
29. The public library has a strict no-noise to ensure a quiet study environment.
30. The local investigated the case and made arrests in connection with the robbery.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Evolved 2. Authorities 3. Content 4. Responsible 5. Jurisdiction 6. Privacy 7. Healthier
8. Problematic 9. Astronaut 10. Connection

Gap-Fill: 11. Surveyed 12. Encourage 13. Restricts 14. Concerns 15. Clarity 16. Regulation 17. Violations
18. Worries 19. Habitat 20. Independently

Matching sentence: 1. Pectoral 2. Buried 3. Regulator 4. Monitor 5. Livestreamed 6. Policy 7. Concern 8.
Satellite 9. Policy 10. Authorities

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