KEEP YOUR EVIDENCE SAFE

For activists and NGOs whose evidence should not live only on their own devices.

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If you have evidence that should be kept safe away from your own premises, this is where it should go.

We fingerprint it, hold it at two independent sites and never overwrite it. We do not gather evidence, and we do not campaign or litigate with what you give us.

THE RISK YOU ALREADY KNOW

Devices are seized. Offices are raided. Accounts are closed. Funding ends and the person who knew where everything was moves on. When evidence lives only with the people who gathered it, it can disappear with them, and a record that cannot be shown to be untouched is easy to dismiss.

WHAT WE DO

- **We hold a copy away from you.** Each record is fingerprinted on arrival and held at two independently governed sites, in Geneva and near Reykjavik. The record exists only when the two agree.
- **We never overwrite.** Anything done to it later can be shown against its fingerprint. Grades can be revised, with the original left visible.
- **We can grade it, if you choose.** At least two independent reviewers, each declaring any tie to the subject, under a published standard. A grade makes your evidence easier for others to rely on.
- **You keep your rights.** You keep copyright; we hold only a usage licence, and what you give cannot be sold or transferred to a commercial interest. These safeguards are proposed and Swiss counsel will test them.

STILL IN DESIGN

Two options are proposals only: evidence sealed under a key only you hold, and evidence released publicly from a date you choose. We will not describe either as available until lawyers have told us what we can honestly claim.

WHAT WE CANNOT PROMISE

- Protection from a court order or a seizure. Where a sealed option exists, we could not open it ourselves, but whether that holds in any jurisdiction is a question for counsel.
- The safety of a person. Do not deposit anything that could put someone at risk until the sealed option exists and counsel has advised.
- That your evidence will be graded well. A grade can be low, and a published grade is public.

BEFORE YOU DEPOSIT ANYTHING

The Knowledge Base is not yet built, so there is nothing to deposit today. What exists is our Wall of 77, built from published sources, and this plan. We want to design the terms with the activists and NGOs who will use it, so that they trust it before they depend on it.

WHAT NOW

Read the step-by-step note on how each item is handled. Then tell us what would make you willing to place evidence with us, and what would stop you. The Threshold Initiative is in development and not yet incorporated.

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