IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS WACO DIVISION

BEIJING MEISHE NETWORK TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD., Plaintiff,

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TIKTOK INC., TIKTOK PTE. LTD., BYTEDANCE LTD., and BYTEDANCE INC.,

Defendant.

No. 6:21-cv-504

ORDER

Magistrate Judge Derek T. Gilliland previously entered an Order on September 26, 2022 Discovery Dispute Hearing, ECF No. 128, which denied Defendants' request for Plaintiff to supplement its response to Defendants' Interrogatory No. 1, granted Defendants' request regarding Plaintiff's source code and copyright registrations, granted Plaintiff's request to compel inspection of Defendants' source code, denied without prejudice Plaintiff's request to inspect Defendants' entire code base, and denied Defendants' request for a protective order. Defendants filed Objections to that Order. ECF No. 159. Specifically, Defendants' object to the Magistrate Judge's denial of (1) Defendants' request that Plaintiff supplement its response to Interrogatory No. 1 and (2) Defendants' motion for a protective order. *Id.* Plaintiff filed a response to Defendants' objections. ECF No. 165. Defendants filed a reply in support of their objections. ECF Nos. 167.

After consideration of the Magistrate Judge's Order, Defendants' Objections to the Order, Plaintiff's response, and Defendants' reply, the Court concludes that the Objections are without sufficient merit. For that reason and other reasons stated within the Order, the Court agrees with the conclusion reached within the Order. The Court therefore **OVERRULES** Defendants' Objections,



ECF No. 159, and **ADOPTS** the Magistrate Judge's Order, ECF No. 128. Defendants' request for Plaintiff to supplement its response to Defendants' Interrogatory No. 1 is **DENIED**. Defendants' motion for a protective order is **DENIED**.

SIGNED this 20th day of October, 2022.

ALAN D ALBRIGHT
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE