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Dear "[FNAME]",

As I am sure you have heard by now, Epic Games has fired the shot heard 'round the gaming world. The Fortnite creator instigated a battle over in-app payments by implementing its own in-app payment system that bypassed Apple's 30 percent fee – a direct and intentional violation of Apple's terms of use. This month's newsletter examines the ensuing lawsuits, countersuits, and the legal issues that will be in play as the showdown heads for the courtroom.

We also discuss TikTok and WeChat's challenges to President Trump's executive orders banning the Chinese-owned apps from the US, and India's similar move against PUBG Mobile. And we will look at how the legal wrangling between popular gamer Tyler "Tfue" Tenney and Faze Clan came to a peaceful end.

Finally, check out our discussion of Riot Games' decision to drop a Saudi Arabian sponsor of its League of Legends European Championship, and news of a Major League Baseball top executive's departure for Activision Blizzard.

We have a lot to cover this month! Happy reading!

Best regards,

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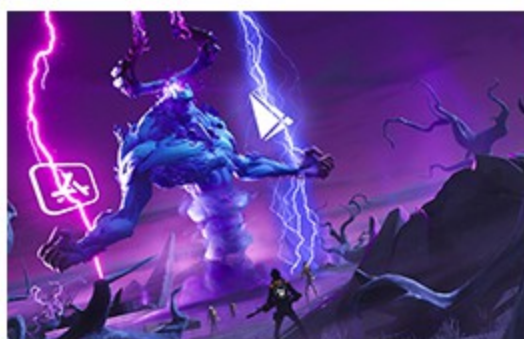
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