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RIOT GAMES, INC.,  
Petitioner,

v.

PALTALK HOLDINGS, INC.,  
Patent Owner.

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**PATENT OWNER'S RESPONSE TO PETITION FOR  
*INTER PARTES* REVIEW OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,226,686**

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## I. INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 42.120, Patent Owner Paltalk Holdings, Inc. (“Paltalk” or “Patent Owner”) respectfully submits this Patent Owner’s Response, to the Petition for *Inter Partes* Review (Paper 1) filed by Riot Games, Inc. (“Petitioner”) concerning U.S. Patent No. 6,226,686 (“the ‘686 Patent”) (Ex. 1002). The Patent Trial and Appeal Board (“the Board”) instituted this proceeding on May 15, 2018, with respect to (1) Claims 1-4, 7-21, 28-30, 34, 35, 39, 40, 47-49, 53, 54, 56, 57, 64-66, and 70 of the ‘686 Patent under Petitioner’s alleged 35 U.S.C. § 103 combination of International Publication No. WO 94/11814 to Aldred (“Aldred”) (Ex. 1009) and “Transport Multiplexing Protocol (TMux),” RFC 1692 (“RFC 1692”) (Ex. 1010), and (2) Claims 31-33, 50-52, and 67-69 of the ‘686 Patent under Petitioner’s alleged § 103 combination of Aldred, RFC 1692, and “Internet Relay Chat Protocol,” RFC 1459 (“RFC 1459”) (Ex. 1025). Patent Owner addresses each of these grounds in the present Response and requests that the Board hold the claims of the ‘686 Patent valid.

## II. CLAIM CONSTRUCTION

The ‘686 Patent has expired. Therefore, the claims should be given their ordinary and accustomed meaning as understood by one of ordinary skill in the art consistent with the standard expressed in *Phillips v. AWH Corp.*, 415 F.3d 1303, 1312–13 (Fed. Cir. 2005) (en banc). The ordinary meaning of a term may be

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