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Macmillan Announces Today the Sept. 17 Global Publication of Edward Snowden’s Memoir ‘Permanent Record’

New York, N.Y., Aug. 1, 2019 – Edward Snowden’s memoir “Permanent Record” will be published globally by Macmillan Publishers on September 17, 2019. In the United States the memoir will be published by Metropolitan Books, an imprint of Henry Holt; in the U.K. by Pan Macmillan; and in Germany by S. Fischer Verlag. The book was edited by Metropolitan Books under the leadership of Sara Bershtel, senior vice-president and publisher.

In 2013, Snowden, a former CIA agent and NSA contractor, shocked the world when he broke with the American intelligence establishment and revealed that the U.S. government was secretly pursuing the means to collect every phone call, text message, and email ever sent. The result would be an unprecedented system of mass surveillance with the ability to pry into the private lives of every person on earth. In “Permanent Record,” he tells his story for the very first time, bringing the reader along as he helps to create this system of mass surveillance, and then experiences the crisis of conscience that led him to try to bring it down.

“Edward Snowden decided at the age of 29 to give up his entire future for the good of his country,” said John Sargent, CEO of Macmillan Publishers. “He displayed enormous courage in doing so, and like him or not, his is an incredible American story. There is no doubt that the world is a better and more private place for his actions. Macmillan is enormously proud to publish ‘Permanent Record.’”

To date, “Permanent Record” is being published in more than 20 countries. World rights for the book are being sold by Devon Mazzone, director, subsidiary rights for FSG, Holt and Metropolitan Books: devon.mazzone@fsgbooks.com.

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