

**From:** Jeremy Rubin <[REDACTED]>  
**To:** "jeffrey E." <jeevacation@gmail.com>  
**Subject:** Re: Renewing Contract for 2017  
**Date:** Fri, 09 Dec 2016 01:34:01 +0000

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Ok, I'm fairly flexible so just let me know what your preference is and I should be able to make it work (I'm usually awake on the weekends by 9am pacific).

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On Thu, Dec 8, 2016 at 5:18 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:  
skype ok, maybe over the weekend

On Thu, Dec 8, 2016 at 9:17 PM, Jeremy Rubin <[REDACTED]> wrote:  
I'm out in San Francisco, there is a much better critical mass out west. Skype might be preferable, or I can hop on a flight.

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On Thu, Dec 8, 2016 at 5:12 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:  
im in new york all next week, cambridge on sunday

On Thu, Dec 8, 2016 at 9:11 PM, Jeremy Rubin <[REDACTED]> wrote:  
Ok. I'll reach out then.

Let me know if you want to catch up between now and then.

Thanks,  
Jeremy

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On Thu, Dec 8, 2016 at 5:03 PM, jeffrey E. <jeevacation@gmail.com> wrote:  
uncertain. until jan

On Thu, Dec 8, 2016 at 9:00 PM, Jeremy Rubin <[REDACTED]> wrote:  
Hi Jeffrey,

Wanted to discuss renewing my contract for 2017. I'm trying to plan my financials to a certain degree for the next year before this tax year closes.

Having a regular source of income with loose requirements has been very useful for me to be able to apportion my time into deep thought in the space without worrying about immediate returns. But it would also be good, perhaps, to discuss if I'm meeting your expectations, and what topics you're interested in through 2017 / if you'd want to see more outputs from me directly (some kind of quarterly report/meeting or something?).

For instance, I haven't communicated any of this to you, but I've spent the last month or so:

- doing research on some new smart contracting primitive constructions
- attempting to mathematically formalize parts of bitcoin programs
- preparing educational materials on Bitcoin
- continuing my work on open source bitcoin software

- investigating security properties of deep learning algorithms
- developing a couple of ideas for potentially interesting financial services around liquidity for bitcoin contracts
- spoke at the Digital Garage SF conference on bitcoin development

In the next month or so I will be continuing the above as well as preparing for:

- Coming to MIT to help with Joi's class
- (potentially) giving an invited talk at Stanford's Blockchain Protocol Analysis and Security Engineering conference
- Going to Japan to help teach a course to get more Japanese bitcoin developers

Best,

Jeremy

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