WhatsApp - MultiLine

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iOS

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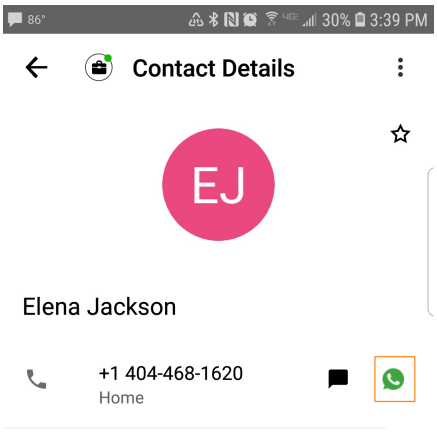

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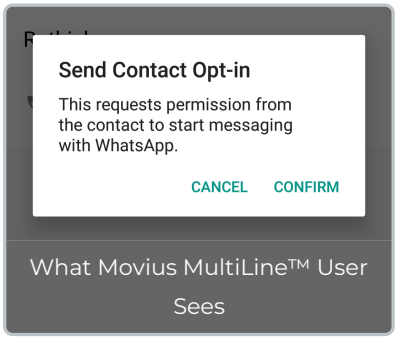

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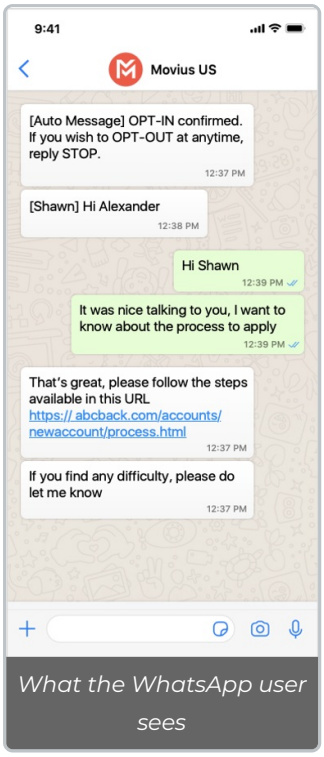

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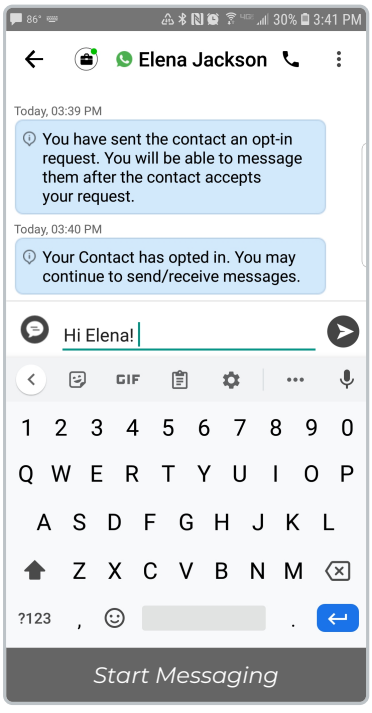

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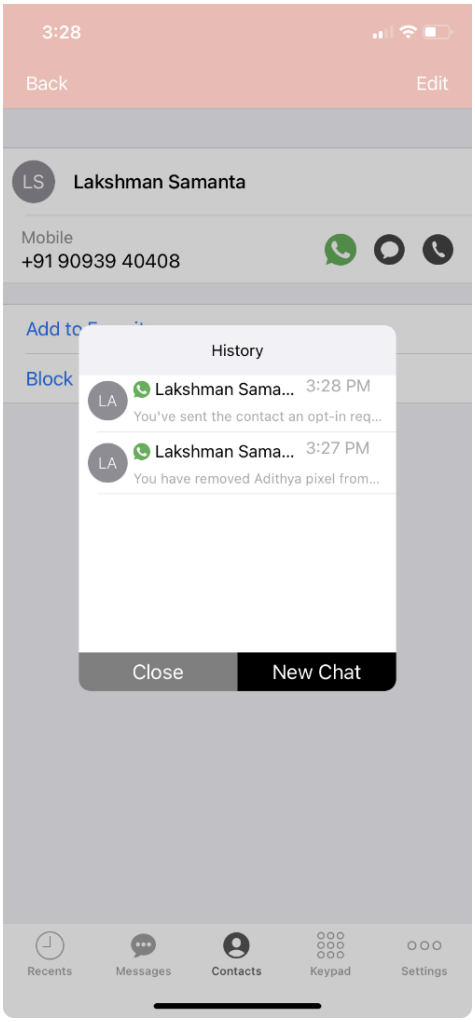

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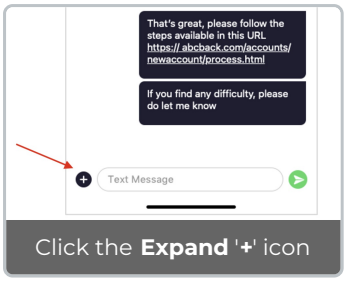

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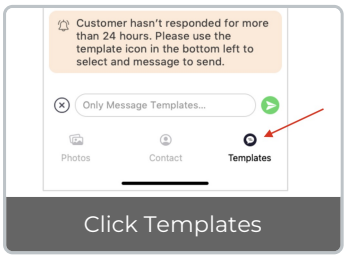

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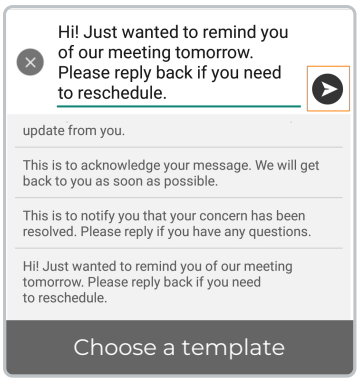

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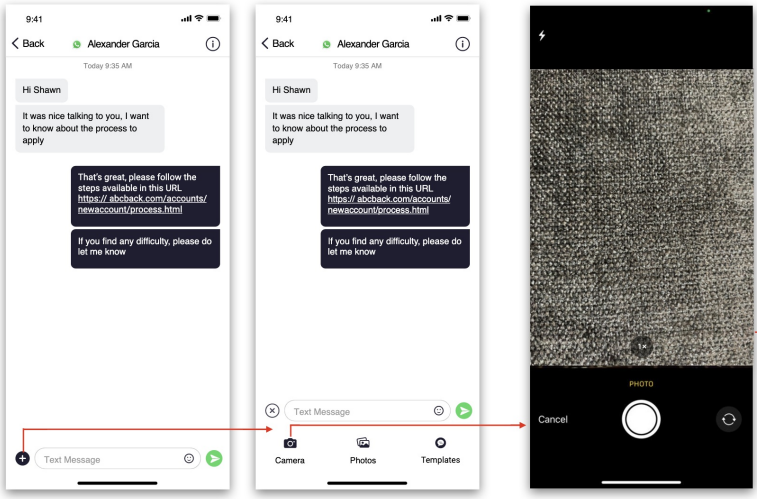

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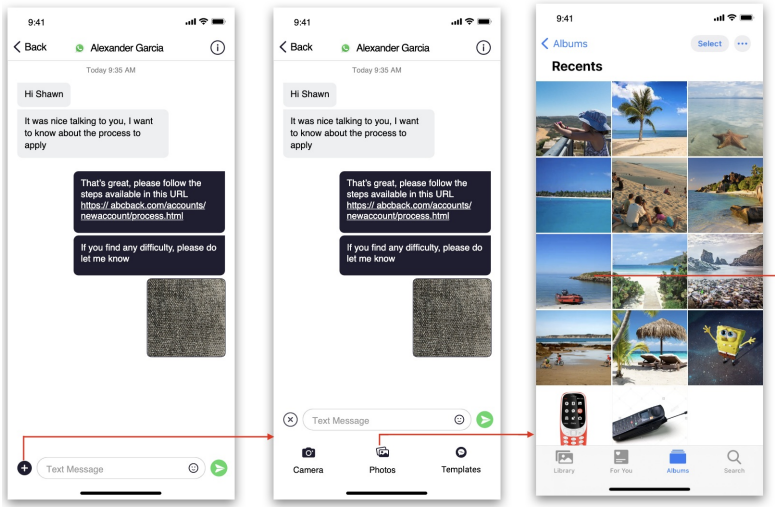

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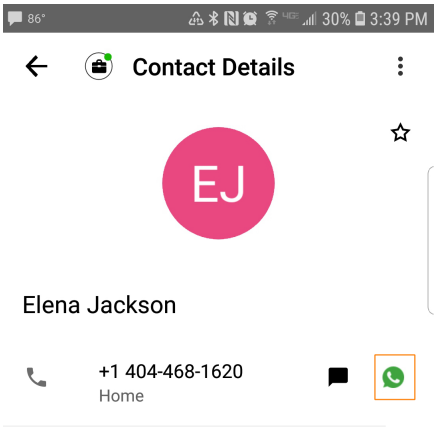

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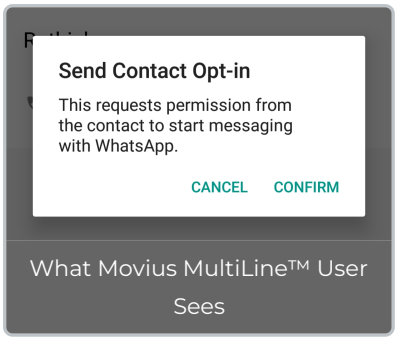

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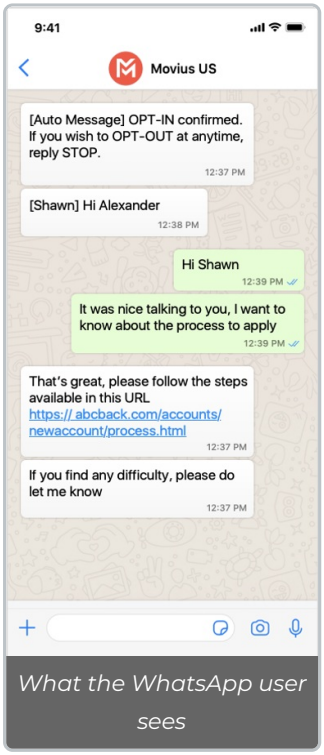

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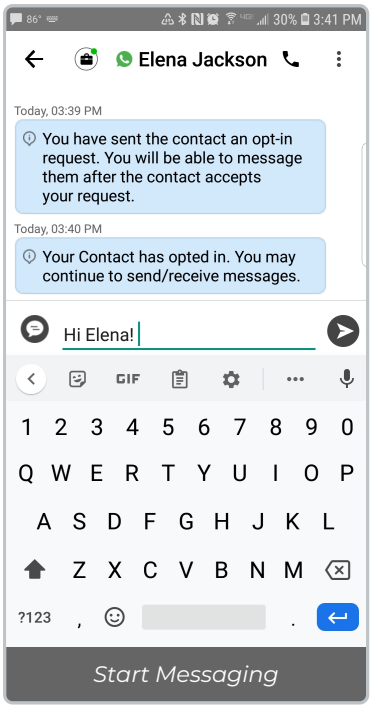

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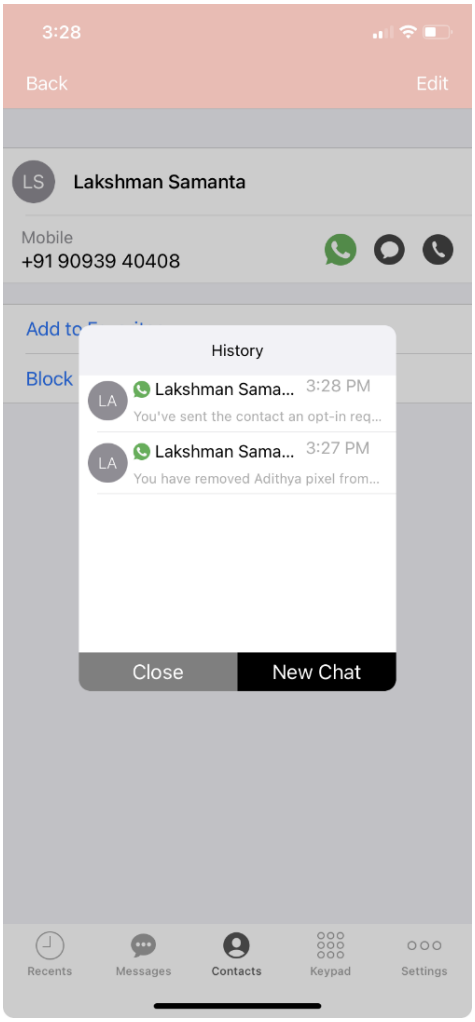

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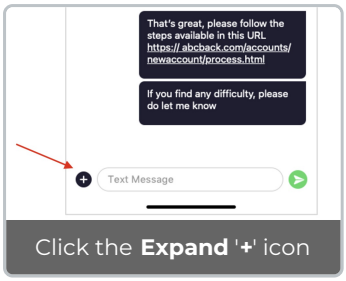

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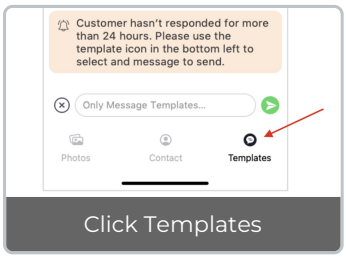

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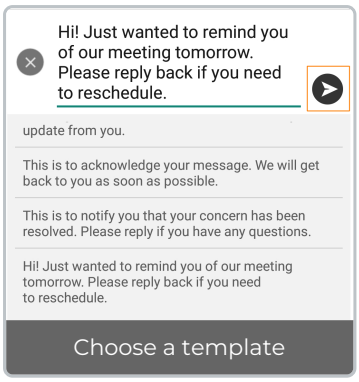

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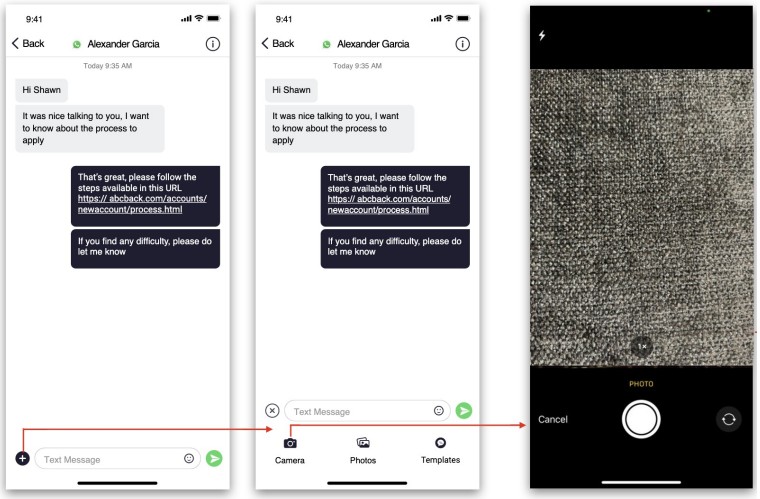

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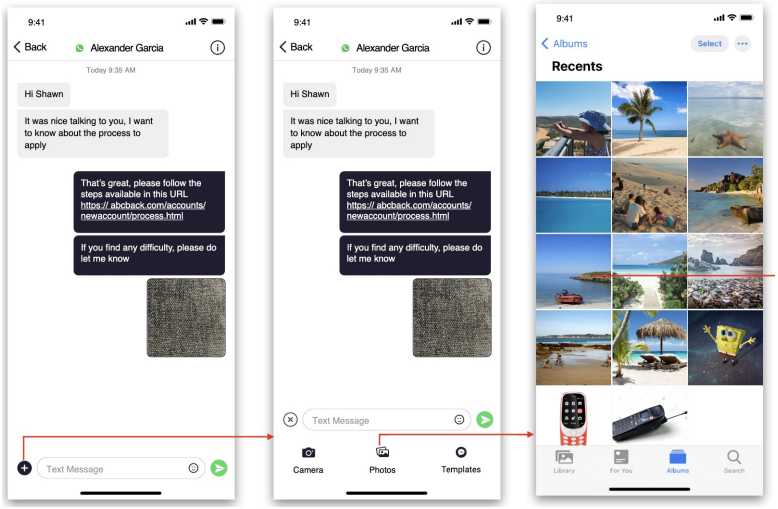

Teams

Read on to learn about how to send WhatsApp messages from MultiLine Messaging app in Microsoft Teams.

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Send a WhatsApp Message

You can send a WhatsApp Message from the new message icon or from contacts details.

Send from New Message

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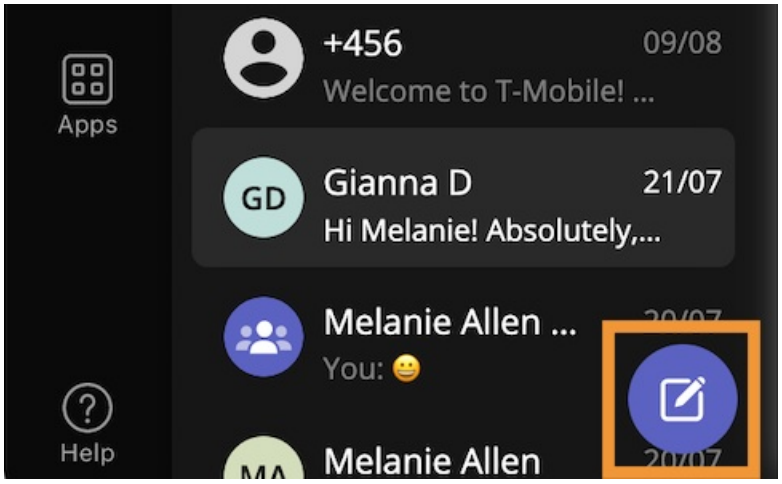

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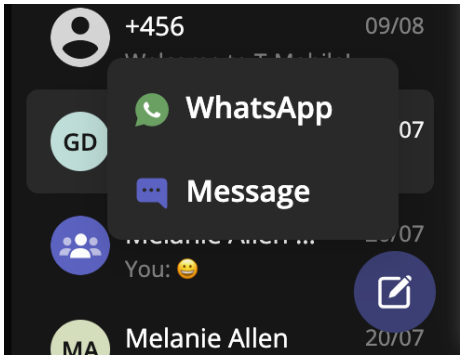

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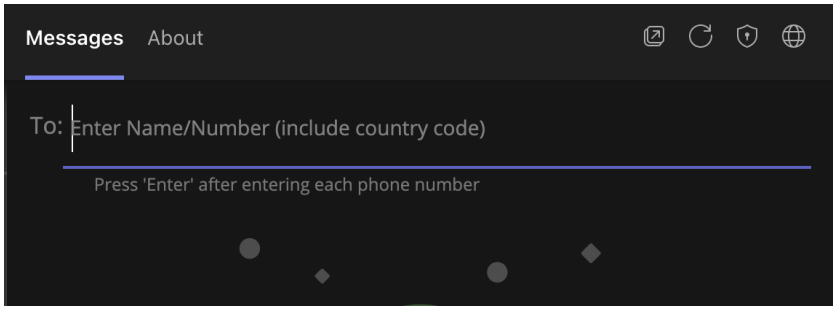

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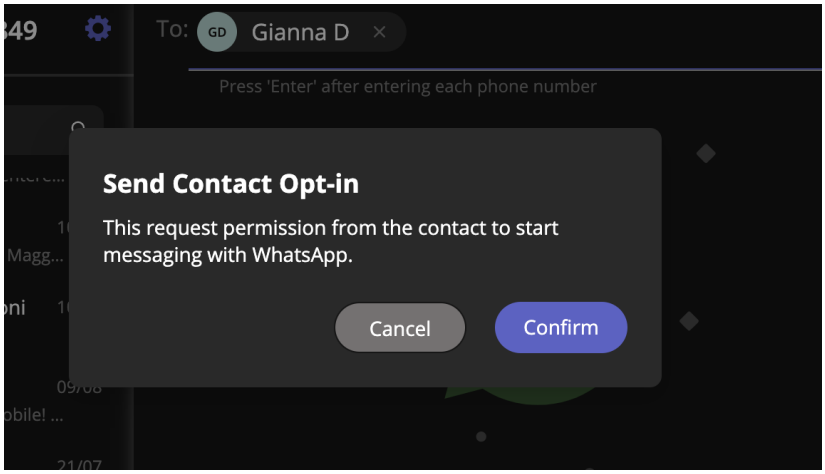

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6. Draft your message and then select the send icon.

Message from an existing message thread

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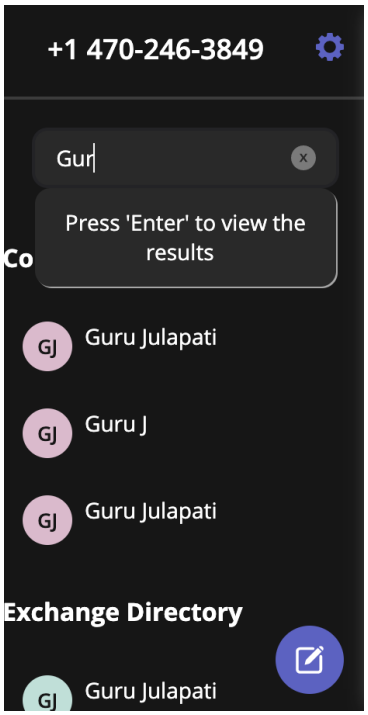

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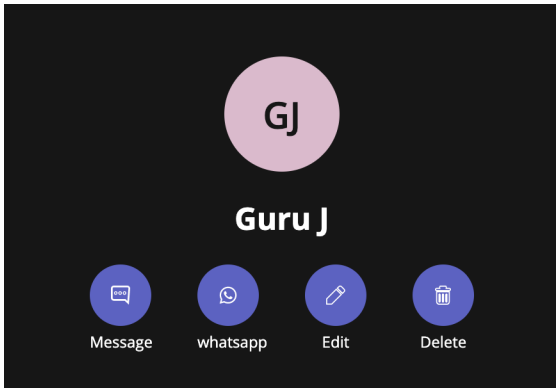

Desktop

Read on to learn about sending WhatsApp messages in MultiLine Desktop.

Overview

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How to send a WhatsApp message

You can send a WhatsApp message from **Contact Details**.

1. Select a contact to pull up their **Contact Details.**

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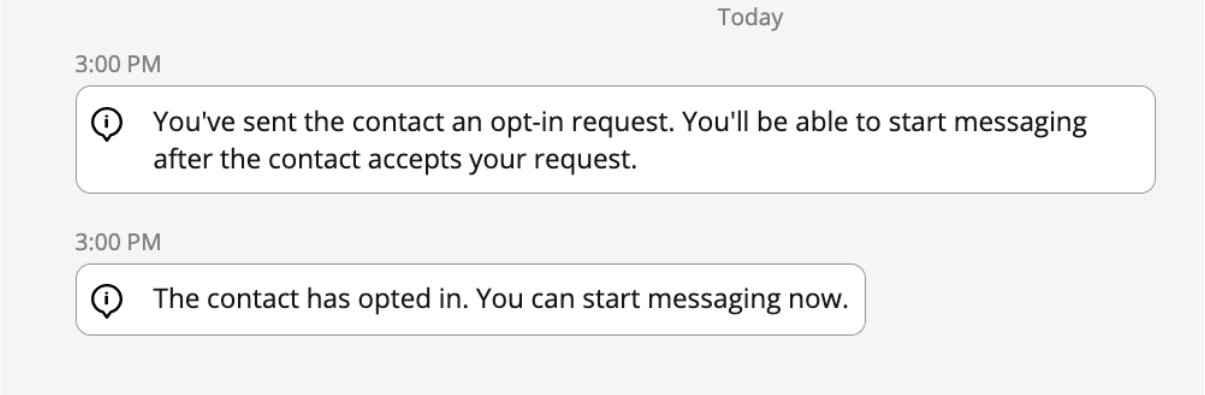

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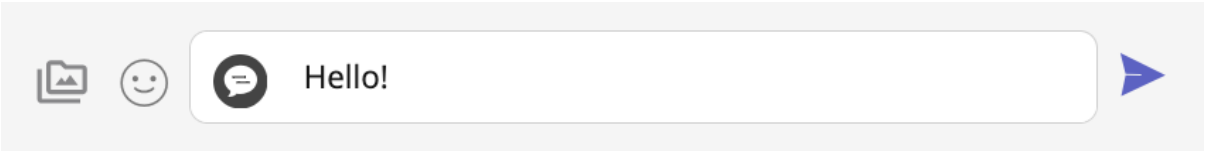

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