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From: Media
Sent: Saturday, 8 June 2013 6:21 PM
To: Timothy Pilgrim
Cc: Media; Jonathan Dobinson; Angelene Falk
Subject: Fwd: NSA and tech companies in the US [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi Timothy

Would you consider providing a comment on Wednesday? Apologies for delay in getting this to you--email system must have been down!

JD

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: James Hutchinson <james.hutchinson@fairfaxmedia.com.au>
Date: 7 June 2013 3:35:59 PM AEST
To: Media <media@oaic.gov.au>
Subject: NSA and tech companies in the US

Hi Leila

I'm not sure if you or Mr Pilgrim have seen the allegations of US tech companies allowing the US NSA to spy on users, particularly abroad -

http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2013/jun/07/prism-tech-giants-shock-nsa-data-mining?CMP=tw_t_gu

I was wondering if the privacy commissioner had any response to these allegations and what it could mean for the privacy of Australian consumers' information.

Thanks

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From: Jonathan Dobinson
Sent: Sunday, 9 June 2013 11:07 AM
To: Timothy Pilgrim; Angelene Falk
Subject: Fwd: Mediportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues

US surveillance issue hotting up a bit. As you know, we have received one request for comment from AFR and another from member of public on Twitter. But nothing that cant wait until Tuesday. Have started thinking about a statement.

Also see couple of articles on school children's data and the cloud. Did we send someone to that seminar?

JD

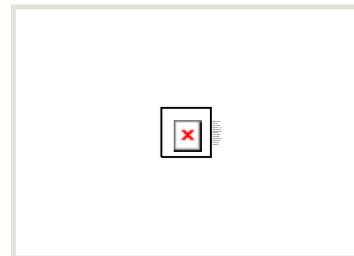
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Subject: Mediportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues

Mediportal Alert

OAIC - Press Issues (15 items)



Watching while you work

[Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney](#), Careers, [Josh Jennings](#) 08 Jun 2013

Page 17 - 634 words
Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 374.37 cm² - ID: 197793210

"They can effectively monitor and watch you all the time," Dr Peter Holland, a senior lecturer from Monash University's faculty of business and economics, says about employer use of workplace surveillance. "People who've been around the workplace for a long time will be used to certain levels of surveillance but the levels we can get to now are phenomenal.

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Keywords

law(1), privacy(5), regulation(1), states(1)

AUD 12,953 ASR

272,849 CIRCULATION

Commander-in-chief tries to ease surveillance fears



Anyone expecting contrition from the US President after revelations that his administration's vast electronic surveillance apparatus has been directed at the American people would have been disappointed by Barack Obama's first public comments on the issue. Basically, he told people to get used to it.

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Keywords

committee(1), committees(1), politician(1),
privacy(2)

AUD 10,423 ASR

290,174 CIRCULATION

Narelle's law should be enshrined.



There comes a time when politicians need to look around at the society in which they live and the people they represent, and take note. Now is such a time.

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Keywords

basic(1), human(2), privacy(1), right(6), rights(2)

AUD 2,727 ASR

178,141 CIRCULATION

In God they trust, but not Congress



Anyone expecting contrition from President Barack Obama after revelations his administration's vast electronic surveillance apparatus has been directed at the American people would have been disappointed by Obama's first public comments on the issue. Basically he told people to get used to it.

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Keywords

committee(1), committees(1), politician(1),
privacy(2)

AUD 1,969 ASR

178,141 CIRCULATION

It boils down to trust, but faith is low

ANYONE expecting contrition from the US President after revelations that administration's vast electronic surveillance apparatus has been directed at the American people would have been disappointed by Barack Obama's first public comments on the issue. Basically, he told people to get used to it.

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Keywords

Agency(1), data(4), federal(1), government(1), governments(1), privacy(1)

AUD 1,101 ASR
 28,371 CIRCULATION

Ending the two-ring circus

[Sunday Canberra Times, Canberra](#), General

09 Jun 2013

News, [Annabel Crabb](#)

Page 2 - 777 words

Photo: Yes - Type: Columnist - Size: 536.86 cm² - ID: 197926224

WHO WOULD marry a politician? It's thankless work, full of pitfalls, and the longer you're in the gig, the weirder it gets. On Thursday, Vladimir Putin and his wife, Lyudmila Putina, attended the ballet together, then provided their own pas de deux -the announcement that their marriage was over.

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Keywords

laws(1), political(3), politician(1), politicians(2), privacy(2), private(3), regulation(1)

AUD 2,693 ASR
 28,371 CIRCULATION

Push to give 'donor babies' right to know

[Sunday Age, Melbourne](#), General News, [Farrah](#)

09 Jun 2013

[Tomazin](#)

Page 5 - 568 words

Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 260.36 cm² - ID: 197921867

Children conceived through sperm donations could soon have the right to know about their biological parent, with the state government and opposition each planning changes to the law. The Labor Party will this week introduce a private member's bill in State Parliament that aims to give all donor-conceived children access to details about their heritage, such as their donor's full name, date of birth and current address.

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Keywords

government(7), information(4), Minister(1), Parliament(3), premier(1), privacy(1), private(2), records(2), State(2)

AUD 2,561 ASR
 178,141 CIRCULATION

'I'm still searching for missing pieces of my identity'

[Sunday Age, Melbourne](#), General News, [Farrah](#)

09 Jun 2013

[Tomazin](#)

Page 5 - 453 words

Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 694.30 cm² - ID: 197921939

Kimberley Turner was 21 when she discovered the father who raised her was not her biological parent. The truth rocked her. "It was quite a shock," Mrs Turner says, describing the day a relative told her she had been conceived through a sperm donation.

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Keywords

law(1), Parliament(1), privacy(1), private(1)

AUD 6,830 ASR

178,141 CIRCULATION

Parents call for ban on web data mining

[Sun Herald, Sydney](#), General News, [Cosima](#)

09 Jun 2013

[Marriner](#)

Page 27 - 576 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 224.75 cm² - ID: 197922033

School Organisations survey of 1000 parents of school-age children found few were aware that companies such as Google and Yahoo could track their children's email and internet activity for commercial purposes. Once informed, 93 per cent said they would be concerned if this was happening to their child, and 80 per cent said the practice should be outlawed. our out of five parents . want the government to ban internet firms such as Google from tracking their child's school email and web browsing to target advertising.

[Read full text](#) - [Download print article](#)

Keywords

behaviour(2), personal(3), privacy(5), private(1), target(2)

AUD 9,594 ASR

290,174 CIRCULATION

In marriage as in every arena Mr Putin is going out with a bang

[Sunday Age, Melbourne](#), General News

09 Jun 2013

Page 24 - 806 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 697.85 cm² - ID: 197924426

Who would marry a politician? It's thankless work, full of pitfalls, and the longer you're in the gig, the weirder it gets.

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Keywords

laws(1), political(3), politician(1), politicians(2),
privacy(2), private(3), regulation(1)

AUD 6,865 ASR
 178,141 CIRCULATION

TAX WORD

[Sunday Canberra Times, Canberra](#), Business

09 Jun 2013

News, [Mike Bannon](#)

Page 25 - 398 words

Photo: No - Type: Columnist - Size: 160.15 cm² - ID: 197925097

THE AUSTRALIAN Business Register records all businesses that have an Australian Business Number. Without an ABN, a business cannot charge GST or claim GST credits embedded in the cost of their inputs. More importantly, a business cannot claim GST credits if a valid tax invoice has not been received from a business that does not have an ABN.

[Read full text](#) - [Download print article](#)

Keywords

company(1), file(1), Number(2), tax(3)

AUD 803 ASR
 28,371 CIRCULATION

'Why power is the ultimate aphrodisiac

[Sun Herald, Sydney](#), Extra

09 Jun 2013

Page 41 - 740 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 636.17 cm² - ID: 197925876

On Thursday, Vladimir Putin and his wife, Lyudmila Putina, attended the ballet together then provided their own pas de deux - the announcement that their marriage was over.

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Keywords

laws(1), political(2), politician(1), politicians(2),
privacy(2), private(3), regulation(1)

AUD 27,155 ASR
 290,174 CIRCULATION

Parents back ban on mining children's data

[Sunday Canberra Times, Canberra](#), General

09 Jun 2013

News, [Cosima Marriner](#)

Page 9 - 302 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 153.68 cm² - ID: 197931897

FOUR out of five parents want the government to ban internet firms such as Google from tracking their children's school email and web browsing to target advertising. Schools across New South Wales are increasingly using free web-based email accounts for their students to save money and provide "any time, anywhere" access to email and school resources.

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Keywords

act(2), attorneys-general(1), law(1), legislation(1), politicians(1), privacy(3), private(1), State(4)

AUD 771 ASR
 28,371 CIRCULATION

Privacy must come first, says couple

[Sunday Canberra Times, Canberra](#), General

09 Jun 2013

News, [Ewa Kretowicz](#)

Page 9 - 224 words

Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 245.48 cm² - ID: 197931900

CANBERRA couple Cecilia Shlegel and Richard Lucas want the federal government to ban student data mining by cloud computing firms. When their daughter Emma, 6, is online at home, they have control over where her emails and photos are stored.

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Keywords

ACT(2), privacy(1)

AUD 1,231 ASR
 28,371 CIRCULATION

Sick paying millions more than Government claims Gap becomes a gu...

[Sunday Tasmanian, Hobart](#), General News, [Sue Dunlevy And Jackson Gothe-Snape](#)

09 Jun 2013

Page 3 - 382 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 217.08 cm² - ID: 197926676

GAP fees cost health fund members \$637 million last year and secret information shows the chance of incurring them is twice as high as the Government claims. In Australia's third-largest health fund, HOE, patients who need ear, nose and throat, orthopedic and ora' surgery are more likely to face a gap

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Keywords

Council(3), data(3), Government(4), information(2), medical(1), Ombudsman(1), Private(2), State(1)

AUD 1,268 ASR
 50,505 CIRCULATION



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From: Jonathan Dobinson
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 11:28 AM
To: Tim De Sousa; Angelene Falk
Cc: Kelly Hart; Natalia D'Morias
Subject: RE: Mediaportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

We have received three requests for comment and a tweet on this issue. Might be worth publishing a statement...

JD

From: Tim De Sousa
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 11:02 AM
To: Angelene Falk
Cc: Jonathan Dobinson; Kelly Hart; Natalia D'Morias
Subject: RE: Mediaportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear Angelene,

Nat and I have been researching this issue, and are ready to talk to you at your convenience.

Regards,

Tim

From: Angelene Falk
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 9:22 AM
To: Tim De Sousa
Cc: Jonathan Dobinson; Kelly Hart
Subject: FW: Mediaportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Good morning Tim

Re the media over accessing internet traffic and someone please look at this transcript and I'll touch base with you later?

I'm in an external meeting 10-12.

Thank you

Angelene

From: Jonathan Dobinson
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 9:20 AM
To: Angelene Falk; Media
Subject: RE: Mediaportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Looks like it starts on page 25.

Cheers

JD

From: Angelene Falk
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 8:26 AM

To: Media; Jonathan Dobinson

Subject: Fwd: Mediaportal Alert - OAIC - Press Issues

Can someone please find the transcript of the senate estimates hearing referred to in articles on security?

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Date: 11 June 2013 8:05:08 AM AEST

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Mediaportal Alert
OAIC - Press Issues (23 items)



Bankers nervous over rise of 'digital wallets'

[Australian, Australia](#), Business News, [Richard Gluyas](#)

11 Jun 2013



Page 17 - 1258 words

Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 487.12 cm² - ID: 198116108

AFTER stopping at a petrol station to refill his late-model car, a senior banker provokes an angry response from an attendant at the pay counter when he waves his smartphone over an Eftpos terminal. The attendant snatches the terminal away, suspecting some nefarious plot. Data theft, perhaps.

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Keywords

account(3), Bank(5), banking(2), banks(3),
billing(1), data(2), information(3), secure(1),
security(2)

 AUD 9,844 ASR

 119,490 CIRCULATION

Edited Customs review released

[Australian, Australia](#), General News, [Mark Schliebs](#)

11 Jun 2013



Page 6 - 384 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 134.17 cm² - ID: 198118722

EIGHT years after The Australian revealed details of a leaked report about serious criminality and security flaws inside Sydney airport, heavily redacted versions of the documents have been released publicly by Customs for the first time. The damning 2002 report and an associated 2003 review, compiled by then Customs intelligence officer Allan Kessing, have quietly been released under Freedom of Information legislation.

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Keywords

act(1), Freedom(1), Information(2), legislation(1)

AUD 2,711 ASR
119,490 CIRCULATION

Revealed: Internet surveillance rates

[Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney](#), General News, [David Wroe Correspondent](#) 11 Jun 2013

Page 1 - 535 words
Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 303.04 cm² - ID: 198128398

Federal police are obtaining Australians' phone and internet records without warrants nearly 1000 times a week, it has emerged as controversy rages over a vast US surveillance program. Revelations in a recent Senate estimates hearing include efforts by the Australian Federal Police to access Facebook and Google data of the kind gathered under the US National Security Agency's controversial PRISM program.

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Keywords

agencies(4), agency(2), data(4), federal(4), Government(3), governments(1), information(4), personal(1), privacy(3), records(2), Security(3), Senate(2)

AUD 10,485 ASR
157,931 CIRCULATION

Federal police spying on phone and internet records

[Age, Melbourne](#), General News, [David Wroe](#) 11 Jun 2013

Page 7 - 441 words
Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 250.20 cm² - ID: 198129051

Federal police are obtaining Australians' phone and internet records without warrants nearly 1000 times a week, it has emerged as controversy rages over a vast US surveillance program. Revelations in a recent Senate estimates hearing also include efforts by Australian Federal Police to access Facebook and Google data of the kind gathered under the US National Security Agency's controversial Prism program.

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Keywords

commissioner(1), privacy(1), Senate(2), Senator(2)

AUD 6,494 ASR
144,277 CIRCULATION

Dangers of blowing the whistle in the digital age

[Age, Melbourne](#), General News, [Elizabeth O'Shea](#) 11 Jun 2013

Page 20 - 1255 words
Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 830.84 cm² - ID: 198131390

Bradley Manning and Edward Snowden are victims of democracy criminalising the exposure of injustice. Whistleblower Edward Snowden's stunning story provides an insight into government power at almost the exact moment the future echo of his story is playing out in a military courtroom in the US.

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Keywords

human(3), privacy(3), rights(6)

 AUD 21,565 ASR

 144,277 CIRCULATION

A laptop is an Englishman's castle-er, fishbowl

[Australian Financial Review, Australia](#), General

11 Jun 2013

 News, [Boris Johnson](#)

 Page 43 - 759 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 267.75 cm² - ID: 198135860

Shock horror! Hold the front page. It turns out the internet is a gigantic snooperama, a sinister governmental periscope inside your most personal electronic possession by which THEY can keep a watch on YOU.

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Keywords

companies(1), company(2), data(1), governmental(1), information(3), personal(1), privacy(2), PRIVATE(3), sell(1), state(1)

 AUD 4,682 ASR

 64,861 CIRCULATION

US leaker flees Big Brother

[Courier Mail, Brisbane](#), General News

11 Jun 2013

 Page 15 - 355 words

 Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 192.88 cm² - ID: 198123439

THE source of bombshell leaks about US monitoring of internet users and phone records has been revealed as a 29-year-old government contractor. Former CIA technical assistant Edward Snowden told the Guardian and Washington Post newspapers he was motivated solely by a desire to inform the public about the massive surveillance machine".

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Keywords

agencies(1), Agency(2), contractor(1), contractors(1), data(1), files(1), government(3), privacy(2), records(1)

 AUD 3,388 ASR

 172,801 CIRCULATION

US stance on cyber hacking makes China's hard to attack

[Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney](#), Editorials

11 Jun 2013

 Page 22 - 660 words

 Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 296.01 cm² - ID: 198124379

The cyber spying revelations dogging US President Barack Obama's administration have overshadowed the optimism of his weekend talks with Chinese leader Xi Jinping. Having to justify his government's sweeping surveillance against Americans and foreigners alike, Obama will find it difficult to retain the moral high ground on China's cyber hacking.

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Keywords

act(1), commissioner(1), committee(1), hacking(4), political(2), privacy(2), rules(1), senator(1), states(1)

 AUD 10,242 ASR
 157,931 CIRCULATION

Fraser's green spin won't stop with Abbott win

[Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney](#), General News 11 Jun 2013

 Page 24 - 757 words
 Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 322.82 cm² - ID: 198132042

Now, quite a few become media commentators. Most support the political parties they once led but not all. During the 2010 election, former Labor leader Mark Latham used his role as a 60Minutes presenter to call on all electors to vote informal and to refrain from supporting either Julia Gillard or Tony Abbott

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Keywords

government(2), information(1), Ombudsman(1), Parliament(1), private(1), Senate(4), States(1)

 AUD 11,169 ASR
 157,931 CIRCULATION

Privacy has taken a back seat amid the Opal debate

[Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney](#), General News 11 Jun 2013

 Page 24 - 769 words
 Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 332.28 cm² - ID: 198132053

If this sounds like an overdramatised scene from a Hollywood movie, or an only-in-America National Security Agency-style surveillance, think again. It could soon be you, once the NSW government introduces the Opal card payment system.

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Keywords

Agency(1), data(14), database(3), government(6), information(4), privacy(6), secure(3), security(2), states(2), steals(1)

 AUD 11,496 ASR
 157,931 CIRCULATION

The intricate rules of online espionage

[Australian Financial Review, Australia](#), General News, [Christopher Joye](#) 11 Jun 2013

 Page 47 - 832 words
 Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 324.89 cm² - ID: 198136403

The controversial unveiling of the United States' premier electronic intelligence collection program, codenamed PRISM, lifts the lid on a melting pot of privacy, business and national security perils that have emerged since the advent of the internet and the digitisation of much of our personal, professional and public activity.

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Keywords

Act(1), Committee(3), hackers(1), hacking(1), laws(1), parliament(1), political(1), premier(1), privacy(4), private(2), rules(2), state(2), states(4), stolen(1)

AUD 5,681 ASR
 64,861 CIRCULATION

US snooping threatens trust in cloud Snooping threat to trust in ...

[Australian Financial Review, Australia,](#)
Technology, [James Hutchinson And David](#)

11 Jun 2013

[Ramli](#)

Page 23 - 853 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 321.64 cm² - ID: 198137568

Revelations about the United States government accessing data stored by major technology companies have revived fears over the privacy of corporate data on US cloud computing services. Despite recent moves by Microsoft and other technology companies to build Australian-based cloud computing services, critics have questioned whether moves onshore would protect businesses and consumers from the alleged PRTSM surveillance program.

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Keywords

Agency(1), companies(7), company(1), corporate(1), data(19), government(8), information(6), minister(1), Parliament(1), privacy(5), States(3)

AUD 5,624 ASR
 64,861 CIRCULATION

Immigration to work with visa countries

[Australian Financial Review, Australia,](#)
Technology, [Paul Smith](#)

11 Jun 2013

[Paul Smith](#)

Page 24 - 470 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 164.92 cm² - ID: 198137580

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship will increasingly target cooperation with overseas agencies from Britain, New Zealand and Canada. Sharing technology processes and systems should increase efficiencies and reduce the cost of managing visa claims.

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Keywords

political(1), privacy(1), rules(2)

AUD 2,884 ASR
 64,861 CIRCULATION

BAD GUYS TUNING IN Crims tune in to police radio

[Hobart Mercury, Hobart,](#) General News, [Zara](#)
[Dawtre](#)

11 Jun 2013

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Page 1 - 425 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 358.70 cm² - ID: 198143872

THE police union and State Opposition say the upgrade of to intercept a stolen vehicle were thwarted last week when the thieves tapped in to police communication. A third party this week started streaming police radio live on the internet, meaning the police digital radio network needs to be accelerated to prevent sensitive information being accessed by criminals and the public.

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Keywords

breach(1), Government(2), information(4), Minister(1), personal(1), secure(3), security(1), State(2), states(1), stolen(2)

 AUD 2,179 ASR
 39,227 CIRCULATION

Tracking people in real time

[Daily Telegraph, Sydney](#), International News 11 Jun 2013

 Page 20 - 167 words
 Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 63.53 cm² - ID: 198114390

ANALYSTS at the National Security Agency are able to secretly access real-time user data provided by as many as 50 American companies, ranging from credit rating agencies to internet service providers. Following revelations of the PRISM data-trawling program, two government officials familiar with the arrangements revealed several of the companies have provided records continuously since 2006, while others have given the agency sporadic access.

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Keywords

agencies(1), Agency(2), data(5), government(1), records(1), Security(1), States(1)

 AUD 2,473 ASR
 305,132 CIRCULATION

Horror at dirty tricks led to whistleblowing

[Daily Telegraph, Sydney](#), International News, 11 Jun 2013

 [Anna Sanders](#)
 Page 20 - 414 words
 Photo: Yes - Type: News Item - Size: 528.14 cm² - ID: 198114391

THE whistleblower who leaked confidential NSA documents has come forward. Edward Snowden, a 29-year-old former CIA technician, said he passed classified information to the media that blew open a number of surveillance operations because he doesn't "want to live in a society that does these sort of things".

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Keywords

banking(1), information(3), Security(2)

 AUD 20,560 ASR
 305,132 CIRCULATION

The long reach of the data sweep

[Sydney Morning Herald, Sydney](#), General News 11 Jun 2013

 Page 24 - 1059 words
 Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 1005.54 cm² - ID: 198132062

Americans have been alarmed to discover in recent days that their intelligence agencies collect the phone and email records of citizens without any need for a warrant.

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Keywords

act(3), Commissioner(1), hack(1), law(2), laws(1),
legislation(1), legislative(1), Parliament(2),
Privacy(1), Senate(2), senator(2)

 AUD 34,790 ASR
 157,931 CIRCULATION

Bungle fuels firearm fears

[Hobart Mercury, Hobart](#), General News, [Zara](#)

11 Jun 2013

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 Page 10 - 392 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 190.83 cm² - ID: 198144879

A HOBART gun owner is demanding to know how an administrative bungle led to a confidential letter to Police Minister David O'Byrne being forwarded by his office to a stranger by mistake. The gun owner, who wished only to be identified as Robert, is a competitive shooter and the owner of tens of thousands of dollars of legal firearms stored in safes at his suburban home information of which was provided in the letter sent to Mr O'Byrne.

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Keywords

database(3), information(2), Minister(4),
security(1), state(1), steal(2)

 AUD 1,159 ASR
 39,227 CIRCULATION

I spilled secrets: ex-CIA man SURVEILLANCE REVELATIONS

[West Australian, Perth](#), International News

11 Jun 2013

 Page 24 - 487 words

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A 29-year-old former undercover CIA employee has revealed himself as the whistleblower behind recent disclosures of top-secret National Security Agency programs.

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Keywords

law(2), privacy(2), state(1), territory(1)

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Source of intelligence leaks wins notoriety

[West Australian, Perth](#), International News

11 Jun 2013

 Page 26 - 625 words

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Edward Snowden, the 29-year-old National Security Agency contractor who admitted he was behind recent leaks of classified intelligence, has vaulted from obscurity to international notoriety joining the ranks of high-profile leakers such as Daniel Ellsberg of Pentagon Papers fame.

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Keywords

act(2), Committee(1), law(2), privacy(2), Senate(1)  AUD 9,365 ASR
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Australian authorities are watching you too Australian authorities...

[Canberra Times, Canberra](#), General News, 11 Jun 2013
[David Wroe](#)

 Page 1 - 532 words
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Federal police are obtaining Australians' phone and internet records without warrants nearly 1000 times a week, it has emerged as controversy rages over a vast US surveillance program. Revelations in a recent Senate estimates hearing include efforts by the Australian Federal Police to access Facebook and Google data of the kind gathered under the US National Security Agency's controversial PRISM program.

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Keywords

agencies(4), agency(2), companies(1), data(4), federal(4), Government(3), governments(1), information(4), personal(1), privacy(3), records(2), Security(3), Senate(2)  AUD 1,408 ASR
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Obama defends spy business

[Canberra Times, Canberra](#), Times, [Maureen Dowd](#) 11 Jun 2013

 Page 4 - 1173 words
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The acid that corroded George W. Bush's presidency was fear spreading it and succumbing to it. You could see the fear in his eyes, the fear that froze him in place, after Andy Card whispered to Win that Florida classroom that a second plane had crashed into the twin towers.

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Keywords

hacked(1), Hackman(1), law(1), privacy(5), senator(1), State(1)  AUD 4,037 ASR
 27,132 CIRCULATION

Long reach of the data sweep Yes, it's happening here: long reach...

 [Canberra Times, Canberra](#) Times [Peter](#) 11 Jun 2013

[Hartcher](#)

Page 1 - 1074 words

Photo: No - Type: News Item - Size: 479.44 cm² - ID: 198153037

Americans have been alarmed to discover in recent days that their intelligence agencies collect the phone and email records of citizens without any need for a warrant. But it couldn't happen here, surely? Privacy laws in Australia are much more stringent than those in the US.

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Keywords

act(3), Commissioner(1), hack(1), law(2), laws(1),
legislation(1), legislative(1), Parliament(2),
Privacy(1), Senate(1), senator(2)

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Charine Bennett

From: Jonathan Dobinson
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 3:09 PM
To: Tim De Sousa
Cc: Natalia D'Morias
Subject: RE: NSA collection of metadata; including the information of Australians. [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Thanks Tim

From: Tim De Sousa
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 3:09 PM
To: Jonathan Dobinson
Cc: Natalia D'Morias
Subject: RE: NSA collection of metadata; including the information of Australians. [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

JD – re the telco transparency issue, note that Google has been publishing data on government requests for user information since 2010. [Here's Australia's section](#). [Guardian data blog on this issue](#).

Twitter do [something similar](#), but not with the same granularity.

Facebook have, to date, declined to release similar information.

From: Tim De Sousa
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 3:01 PM
To: Angelene Falk
Cc: Kelly Hart; Timothy Pilgrim; Jonathan Dobinson
Subject: NSA collection of metadata; including the information of Australians. [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear Angelene,

You asked whether the US collection of call metadata (also referred to as 'non content data', that is metadata including the numbers of both parties on a call, location data, call duration, unique [device] identifiers, and the time and duration of all calls) would include the information of Australians.

In short, yes. The [secret court order leaked to the Guardian](#) by former [CIA technical assistant Eric Snowden](#) (other docs [here](#)) shows that the NSA required the US telco Verizon (and presumably all other US telcos) to hand over:

an electronic copy of the following tangible things:

all call detail records or "telephony metadata" created by Verizon for communications

(i) between the United States and abroad; or

(ii) wholly within the United States, including local telephone calls.

This Order does not require Verizon to produce telephony metadata for communications wholly originating and terminating in foreign countries.

Accordingly, if a call was made between a US and Australian participant the NSA would collect the metadata for that call.

The other leaked documents show that the NSA is conducting sophisticated [big data analytics](#) using this kind of metadata.

We are continuing to consider the issue.

Regards

Tim

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Charine Bennett

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Sent: Wednesday, 12 June 2013 2:03 PM
To: Timothy Pilgrim
Cc: Media; Tim De Sousa; Angelene Falk; Kelly Hart; Natalia D'Morias; Este Darin-Cooper
Subject: RE: US surveillance comment [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear Timothy

We have prepared a comment/statement in response to the following requests for comment:

- **The Guardian:** 'interested in speaking to John about National Security Revelations in the US and its implications for Australia'
- **Defence & National Security Correspondent:** 'request an interview with Timothy Pilgrim about his views of the possible impact of the surveillance programs in the US might have on Australians, what relevant laws apply here, whether there are apparent breaches of privacy involved'
- **The Australian Financial Review:** 'I was wondering if the privacy commissioner had any response to these allegations and what it could mean for the privacy of Australian consumers' information'.
- **The World Today:** wanted to interview you. Now happy to receive any statement we make.

The AFR request came to us last Friday, and so is getting quite old.

Below is a draft comment/statement for consideration. I would like to publish this as a statement on the website today if possible.

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Charine Bennett

From: Timothy Pilgrim
Sent: Wednesday, 12 June 2013 4:46 PM
To: Jonathan Dobinson
Cc: Media; Tim De Sousa; Angelene Falk; Kelly Hart; Natalia D'Morias; Este Darin-Cooper
Subject: RE: US surveillance comment [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

OK with the following, thank you

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Comment from Timothy Pilgrim, Australian Privacy Commissioner on reports of US intelligence agency surveillance program

Reports on the surveillance of the communications and online activity of citizens by US intelligence agencies have raised a number of questions, including what this means for the privacy of individuals.

Privacy is a fundamental human right, recognised in international law and protected under Australian laws such as the federal Privacy Act and telecommunications laws. However, the right to privacy is not absolute – it must be balanced against other important rights and ideals, such as freedom of expression and national security.

In Australia, the federal Privacy Act and telecommunications laws recognise this and include a number of exemptions and exceptions for intelligence and law enforcement agencies and their activities. For example, the Privacy Act includes limited exceptions that allow government agencies and private sector organisations covered by the Act to use and disclose personal information for the enforcement of criminal laws, or where the use or disclosure is required or authorised by or under Australian law.

The Privacy Act can extend to an act or practice that occurs outside Australia in certain circumstances. However, the Act also provides that an act or practice of an organisation done outside Australia does not breach the Privacy Act if it is required by an overseas law. Further, the Privacy Act will generally not cover the acts and practices of overseas government agencies.

Background

Article 17 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights establishes privacy as a human right.

Charine Bennett

From: James Hutchinson <james.hutchinson@fairfaxmedia.com.au>
Sent: Friday, 7 June 2013 3:36 PM
To: Media
Subject: NSA and tech companies in the US

Hi Leila

I'm not sure if you or Mr Pilgrim have seen the allegations of US tech companies allowing the US NSA to spy on users, particularly abroad - http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2013/jun/07/prism-tech-giants-shock-nsa-data-mining?CMP=tw_t_gu

I was wondering if the privacy commissioner had any response to these allegations and what it could mean for the privacy of Australian consumers' information.

Thanks

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From: David Wroe <david.wroe@fairfaxmedia.com.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 10:34 AM
To: Media
Subject: interview request

Hi Nicole,

As discussed I'd like to request an interview with Timothy Pilgrim about his views of the possible impact of the surveillance programs in the US might have on Australians, what relevant laws apply here, whether there are apparent breaches of privacy involved, etc.

many thanks,

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From: Judy Woutersz
Sent: Tuesday, 11 June 2013 10:45 AM
To: Jonathan Dobinson; Media
Subject: Media request [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance: High

Good morning Jonathan

I just received a call from Lenore Taylor from The Guardian. She is interested in speaking to John about National Security Revelations in the US and its implications for Australia. Lenore can be reached on 0434 733 545. Can I leave this with you or would you like me to check with John if he is happy to speak to her?

Thanks in advance for your advice.

Cheers

Judy

Charine Bennett

From: Jonathan Dobinson
Sent: Wednesday, 12 June 2013 9:37 AM
To: Timothy Pilgrim
Subject: US surveillance, PRISM etc [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Importance: High

Hi Timothy, Angelene and Tim

Will from [The World Today](#) called. They would like to interview Timothy for the show today. The interview would be by telephone and the deadline is **12 pm today**.

I advised we had quite a few media requests and that we were still working through some of the issues.

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Cheers

JD

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Charine Bennett

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Sent: Wednesday, 12 June 2013 12:33 PM
To: Tim De Sousa; Angelene Falk; Kelly Hart; Natalia D'Morias
Cc: Media
Subject: US surveillance comment [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear All

Apologies for the delay—few things happening today!

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Cc: Christopher Prince
Subject: NSA Prism, etc

Colleagues:

We are trying to make sense of the media stories coming out of the Us and the UK (the Guardian in particular) about these surveillance programs. In general we are trying to understand the following:

- Whether there are similar programs in place domestically and if so what is their scope?
- The extent to which the personal information of Canadians is being caught or captured by the American programs; and
- The extent to which the Canadian government was aware of the American program and has been receiving information from these programs.

As I mentioned, we are just trying to make sense of what we are reading. I expect the situations is somewhat similar in our respective countries.

We will share any information we obtain. If this turns into another SWIFT-type issue it might be desirable to minimize duplication of effort to the extent possible.

I will be out of the Office for the next two days – I have cc'd my colleague Chris Prince

Regards

Carman