Oz Feds Seek Indefinite Data Retention

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The AFP and State police have made known their desire for Telcos and other communications companies to retain ALL data indefinitely -- I mean why work for a living when you can appeal to government to legislate and force others to do YOUR job for you.



Incompetent police bureaucrats

The AFP are well known for surrendering Aussie citizens (Bali nine) to PRIMITIVE nations that enforce the death penalty for substance abuse and drug related offences. We have known for sometime that the AFP have difficulty finding their dicks to take a piss but this latest revelation is too much.

These Stasi clowns clearly need to review dictionary definitions of P-R-I-V-A-C-Y and not *target the entire population* for reasons of laziness and incompetence. Perhaps retraining in basic policing and detection skills (in REAL time) may assist.

We have known for some time that drunken mental lepers masquerading as Oz police are INCOMPETENT, we can assure the Oz public they are a bunch of inept clowns.

In the early days of computing we handed over numerous examples of high quality intentionally tampered with (counterfeit) computer hardware to no avail; no reaction whatsoever from authorities even when it was stressed that this problem was costing Oz business millions in downtime and data loss! It became very evident that issues were investigated on a 'glamour value' basis rather than on cost to the community. These reprehensible publicity seeking shit-heads were evaluating cases on a career enhancement basis rather than on negative impact to society; it was a rude awakening. Our advice to ALL Oz police is LEARN to WORK for a bloody living like everyone else!

We recommend pulling your thumbs out of your cowardly, useless, publicity seeking arses and simply doing your job, and please try and resist lazy American methods that view the entire population as criminals or the 'enemy.'

Fair bloody dinkum, this is Oz where skills and competence once reigned supreme.

Report from SMH follows:

Police want phone, web data kept indefinitely

by Bianca Hall

Australia's police commissioners want to help draft laws that would allow them to access the public's telecommunications data for up to two years.

"Police would ideally prefer the information be held by telecommunication companies indefinitely, so it could be accessed by police at any time."

But the commissioners say their motives are "pure", and they simply want their crime-fighting tools to be brought into the 21st century.

Australian Federal Police Commissioner Tony Negus, NSW Police Commissioner Andrew Scipione and South Australian Police Commissioner Gary Burns have this morning given evidence to an inquiry into proposed laws that would force telecommunication companies to store phone and internet data for two years.

Under the proposed laws, so-called "metadata" – which includes times, locations and durations of phone and internet communication – could be accessed by authorities with a warrant.

The three say they agreed to appear at the inquiry in Sydney on behalf of Australia's police commissioners to stress the importance of changing telecommunications laws to make it easier for police to access teleco information to investigate crimes.

Mr Negus said police did not seek access to Australians' emails, but strongly supported "maintaining existing [warrant] capability in the face of changing technology".

But he told the inquiry in Sydney that police would "ideally" prefer the information be held by telecommunication companies indefinitely, so it could be accessed by police at any time.

"The two-year proposal ... we could live with," he said. "It certainly wouldn't be ideal, but we could live with [it]."

The police chiefs said the nation's police forces were struggling with telecommunciations intercept laws written in 1979, which had been overtaken by rapid technological advances.

Mr Negus said police simply wanted to access information they could formerly demand with warrants; "maintaining existing capability in the face of changing technology".

Mr Scipione said: "Our motives in this are true and pure. We just want to keep Australia the safest nation on the planet."

The controversial data retention proposals have been outlined in a discussion paper circulated by the Attorney-General, Nicola Roxon.

The laws have come under fire from privacy and legal circles over fears that unreasonable amounts of data could be stored, and that there will be inadequate safeguards put in place to protect personal information.

At a hearing in Melbourne this month, the Labor senator John Faulkner raised questions about the lack of detail contained in the discussion paper.

"I have said before that there are no safeguards outlined," he said.

"In fact, the detail about the proposal itself is obviously very limited."

The police commissioners said they wanted to be involved in drafting new reforms, or even new legislation, arguing criminals were now able to operate outside the reach of telecommunication laws and law enforcement agencies.

Mr Scipione said, "increasingly we're trying to deal with crimes that are so new that we're learning on a daily basis ... we simply want to be able to hold our own".

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