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Dear Minister,

I write to express my deep concerns regarding the recent draft legislation titled 'The Assistance and Access Bill 2018'.

Whilst I empathise with the law enforcement's desire to gain access to evidence that will assist in convicting criminals... what I DON'T empathise nor agree with is by the means of which this Bill proposes to achieve this goal!

This draft legislation is akin to having 100 people in a room and only 1 of them a criminal. You want to punish that one guy but you don't know which one is the crook person, so you chop the finger off EVERYONE in the room to get that one bad guy. This is pretty much the analogy of this draft legislation that's being proposed!

Does the ends justify the means? Of course not!

As a man with many years of IT experiences and a sound fundamental understanding of how encryption works, one does not "simply create a backdoor".

Encryption, by its very design, is meant to be secure. By allowing a point-of-entry means that EVERYONE (criminal or otherwise) has an "open door to their house".

This means that the encryption and the systems that it resides within is forever compromised. I mean... you might as well not call it encryption at that point. More like a piss-poor password that somebody will ALWAYS know.

And you know what's hypocritical about this draft legislation? The fact that it's about trying to catch criminals... but by the same flipcoin it EXPONENTIALLY increases cybercrime from criminals and cyber warfare from enemy states.

This act will only ever do MUCH MORE harm than it will do good for the general public, and its right to privacy!

So please Minister, I urge you to consider this matter and make the right choice to scrap this Bill altogether.

I, and many other Australians, use digital communications on a daily basis. It will be utterly terrifying to be living in a digital world where governments have legislated "open-season" on security and privacy.

Thank you!

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