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Subject: Feedback on The assistance and access bill 2018
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I have been reading the materials available on this subject and it reads to me that the purpose of this law is to create a surveillance state and that is terribly concerning. Australia should not be turned into a surveillance state.

I am especially concerned that a specific warrant isn't required to access computer systems, just a related warrant and also very concerned that data can be collected to determine if it is related to the warrant, further to this the fact that altering data is allowed and this is very concerning.

The gatekeepers if these changes come in have a vested interest in passing any and all requests because they might pay off. Not to mention if powers like this exist they will almost certainly be abused as has been demonstrated in the past.

2 years in jail for failing to comply with a demand to provide access to an individuals device is totally bullshit, one should be free to deny any requests to access their device they consider unreasonable.

The majority of Australian's at else abiding citizens and these laws will put them at risk. Any time a system is weakened to allow surveillance you put honest Australians at risk. It seems to me like the government is wanting to sacrifice the security of Australian's technology for some trumped up garbage about terrorism.

Thank you for your time.

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Regards,
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