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Introducing a systematic weakness into secure communications is not the solution to this problem.

Many services outside of "WhatsApp" and "Facebook Messenger" rely on the ability to share information privately and securely.

With all the high publicity breaches and stolen personal information the last thing that Australia needs to be doing is adding weaknesses to existing, well understood standards.

By weakening our own security the "Terrorists" and "Rapists" will move to other services or even create their own; then without a doubt, they will use the newly weakened security protocols in Australia to gain access to even more personal information to exploit.

Please do not proceed with this bill.

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