

Encryption Research Study

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>The principal question is: "How will the provisions of section 1201(g)
>of the DMCA affect encryption research?"

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And I am not going to address that question, as I think that the 9th Amendment to the US Constitution precludes your regulations on encryption research regardless of whether or not lawyers want to dishonestly ignore it, along with judges, law professors, justices... It's there, period. Wanna try and repeal it? Go ahead, but enough of the dishonest pretending it doesn't exist!

I will instead focus on the actual meaning of the term "Escrow."

Escrow REQUIRES a NEUTRAL, THIRD PARTY, no matter what Newspeak spewing NSA lawyers might claim. If you want to have GAK (Government Access to Keys) then swallow the cowardice of the bureaucratic past and SAY that you want Government Access to Keys. Try honesty. The US government is rarely, if ever, able to make a convincing case that y'all are neutral (much less third) parties, especially in cases you'd want to assert it (probably more drug asset forfeiture than terrorism, since government agents are greedy, and don't want to get their asses shot off or blown up).

So, the bottom line is: go get a dictionary, look up the *TRUE* meaning of the term, and begin using it honestly for a change. I say "for a change" because of the bipartisan dishonesty that has spanned more than a decade of government criminality & moral turpitude. Honesty may cause you to "lose" on the issue of grabbing everyone's privacy, but that's because government DESERVES to lose, and freedom deserves to win. This will lead to LESS, not more, violence in the future.

Thanks for listening. If you think I am wrong about ANYTHING I've written above, please tell me why.
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"In 1972, when Richard Nixon declared a war on drugs, the annual federal budget for the war was around \$101 million. Next year, it will be \$17.8 billion." -- Joseph D. McNamara, former police chief of both Kansas City, MO, and San Jose, CA.

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