
Subject: Afraid Yet?

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Phoenix - Aeon: A lot of those listed media sources aren't even news-related; how can Fox Sports Net be right-wing propaganda? And the AOL Time-Warner media company isn't much smaller, I can assure you of that.

smwScottMan you people are fucking stupid. You read a news report about a computer system that scans the personal information of millions of Americans to determine their likelihood of being a terrorist, and are then arrested based on this information. You say to yourself, hey this doesn't sound too good, I don't like this. So do you admit that it's another way government is slowly growing bigger and bigger and we're drifting farther and farther away from our constitution? Nope, you dismiss the news report on account of it coming from "liberal media," despite the fact that you can get an idea of what the MATRIX system is capable of from their own site.

Pretty soon the fucking thing will be scanning regular people to determine their likelihood to commit a crime. It started with the Patriot Act and now this shit is going way too far. MATRIX is basically a database of criminal records allowing local law enforcement in participating states to exchange information about suspects and criminals between each state. Where does it say MATRIX can scan any random person and see what he is doing?

Quote:Actually many of those rights you speak of are temporarily suspended by the Patriot Act. What rights, specifically, are suspended? I took a brief skim through the whole law, and no where did I see "The right of protection from illegal search and seizure is suspended." Care to enlighten us?

Quote:The government can scan any computer, tap any phone, or raid any house as long as they have any suspicion of terrorist activity. The government could do all of that without the Patriot Act.

Quote:They no longer need warrants.
No, they need a court order to do any of that.

AprimeYou'd sound pethatic in Canada.
Well this ain't no Canadia .

smwscottWell, it does strip away peoples rights
Again, which ones exactly?

Quote:the Patriot Act is in direct violation of the constitution.
Which section, specifiially, of the Patriot Act is in direct violation of the Constitution?

Quote:People can be taken and jailed without trial or even being officially arrested.
Where in the Patriot Act does it say "Habeus corpus is now legal?"
