Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by KIRBY098 on Thu, 20 May 2004 16:23:57 GMT

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http://www.cnn.com/2004/LAW/05/20/terror.database.ap/index.html

http://www.matrix-at.org/

If not, this should help. At least they didn't call it skynet.

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Posted by Aircraftkiller on Thu, 20 May 2004 16:36:59 GMT

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Fortunately it's not in control of nuclear arms.

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Posted by KIRBY098 on Thu, 20 May 2004 17:52:27 GMT

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This is a strangely relevant joke.

ORDERING PIZZA IN 2008

This is so close to what is probably going to be happening in 2008 that we're not sure how funny this really is.

Operator: Thank you for calling Pizza Hut. May I have your national ID number?

Customer: Hi, I'd like to place an order.

Operator: I must have your NIDM first, sir.

Customer: My National ID Number, yeah, hold on, eh, it's 6102049998-45-54610.

Operator: Thank you Mr Bob. I see you live at 1742 Meadowland
Drive, and the phone number is 494-2366. Your office number over at
Lincoln Insurance is 745-2302 and your cell number is 266-2566. Email
address is bob @home. net. Which number are you calling from sir?

Customer: Huh? I'm at home. Where'd you get all this information?

Operator: We're wired into the HSS, sir.

Customer: The HSS, what is that?

Operator: We're wired into the Homeland Security System, sir. This will add only 15 seconds to your ordering time.

Customer: (sighs) Oh well, I'd like to order a couple of your All-Meat Special pizzas.

Operator: I don't think that's a good idea, sir.

Customer: Whaddya mean?

Operator: Sir, your medical records and commode sensors indicate that you've got very high blood pressure and extremely high cholesterol.

Your National Health Care provider won't allow such an unhealthy choice.

Customer: What?!?! What do you recommend, then?

Operator: You might try our low-fat Soybean Pizza. I'm sure you'll like it.

Customer: What makes you think I'd like something like that?

Operator: Well, you checked out 'Gourmet Soybean Recipes' from your local library last week, sir. That's why I made the suggestion.

Customer: All right, all right. Give me two family-sized ones, then.

Operator: That should be plenty for you, your wife and your four kids, and your 2 dogs can finish the crusts, sir. Your total is \$49.99.

Customer: Lemme give you my credit card number.

Operator: I'm sorry sir, but I'm afraid you'll have to pay in cash.

Your credit card balance is over its limit

Customer: I'll run over to the ATM and get some cash before your driver gets here.

Operator: That won't work either, sir. Your checking account is

overdrawn also.

Customer: Never mind! Just send the pizzas. I'll have the cash ready.

How long will it take?

Operator: We're running a little behind, sir. It'll be about 45

minutes, sir. If you're in a hurry you might want to pick'em up while you're out getting the cash, but then, carrying pizzas on a motorcycle can be a little awkward.

Customer: Wait! How do you know I ride a scooter?

Operator: It says here you're in arrears on your car payments, so your

car got repo'ed. But your Harley's paid for and you just filled the

tank yesterday.

Customer: Well, I'll be a #%#^^&\$%^\$@#

Operator: I'd advise watching your language, sir. You've already got

a July 4, 2003 conviction for cussing out a cop and another one I see

here in September for contempt at your hearing for cussing at a judge.

Oh yes, I see here that you just got out from a 90 day stay in the State Correctional Facility. Is

this your first pizza since your return to society?

Customer: (speechless)

Operator: Will there be anything else, sir?

Customer: Yes, I have a coupon for a free 2 liter of Coke.

Operator: I'm sorry sir, but our ad's exclusionary clause prevents us

from offering free soda to diabetics. The New Constitution prohibits this.

Thank you for calling Pizza Hut.

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Posted by warranto on Thu, 20 May 2004 18:07:19 GMT

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Well, what do you know!

They were right, we do live in the matrix world! Now all they have to do is make it a choice invloving red and blue objects to remain or opt out of it.

Subject: Re: Afraid Yet?

Posted by [REHT]Spirit on Thu, 20 May 2004 18:11:24 GMT

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KIRBY098At least they didn't call it skynet.

We got some neato X-45 (something close to that) UAV planes that bomb things on their own.....so we're almost at that point (more or less, depending if you think you need ground forces or just really big bombs to drop from the air).....

Plus some smaller UAVs are planned to cost at \$1k-\$2k. :twisted:

(some of you guys might already know some of this, I dunno how many people here keep up with this stuff, and for anyone who's wondering, UAV stands for Unmanned Air Vehicle)

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Posted by Creed3020 on Thu, 20 May 2004 18:12:06 GMT

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Wow....I'm blessed to live in Canada.

Though I am sure the system will help, just be somewhat intrusive at times by the sounds of it.

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Posted by JadenStriker on Thu, 20 May 2004 19:05:49 GMT

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НАНАНАНА!!!

Well I guess that guy should have been more reasponceble! :twisted:

I bet that would be a law enforcement punishment if you where convicted of a felony. It sure would be an insentive to be a nicer person.

"Hi, I'm Joe Bummer and I have to put up with pizza hut giving me health advise because I had to goto jail for a felony! I was conviced of cable theft and only did it for a month!"

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Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Thu, 20 May 2004 19:54:04 GMT

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Quote:a July 4, 2003 conviction for cussing out a cop

That's not a criminal offence at all, you can't be arrested for merely cussing out an officer.

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Posted by bigejoe14 on Thu, 20 May 2004 20:04:51 GMT

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It' just a bunch of Liberals trying to scare us again. Just ignore them...

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Vitaminous on Thu, 20 May 2004 20:18:17 GMT

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Bigejoe, the medias are doing a way better job at scaring americans than them.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Hydra on Thu, 20 May 2004 20:35:27 GMT

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Majority of the media = liberal. So how can the media do a better job than the liberals when the two are virtually one-and-the-same?

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Posted by Phoenix - Aeon on Fri, 21 May 2004 04:42:09 GMT

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Actually the majority of the american media is republican, ever noticed how much Fox supports Bush?

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Hydra on Fri, 21 May 2004 04:49:46 GMT

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Oh sure, just because Fox News is conservative that means the rest of the media is conservative too. :rolleyes: What is CNN? What is CBS? What is ABC? What is NBC? What is PBS? Are they all conservative? Hell now! They're as far-left as Josef Stalin!

Since there's such a conservative bias in the mainstream media, name another conservative news source.

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Posted by DaveGMM on Fri, 21 May 2004 12:25:09 GMT

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Wow!

It's gone from zero to attacking liberals in 10 posts!

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Posted by KIRBY098 on Fri, 21 May 2004 12:26:22 GMT

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Yes, which is ironic considering most of the folks offering thier unqualified opinions are unable to vote yet.

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Posted by Phoenix - Aeon on Fri, 21 May 2004 16:42:51 GMT

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Actually I am able to vote. Also I mention Fox seeing as how it is a subsidudary of the News Corporation, y'know the biggest media corporation in the world, here's a few things they own:

#### Fox Television Stations:

WNYW - New York City

WWOR - New York City

KTTV - Los Angeles

**KCOP** - Los Angeles

WFLD - Chicago

WPWR - Chicago

KMSP - Minneapolis

WFTC - Minneapolis

WTXF - Philadelphia

WFXT - Boston

WTTG - Washington D.C.

KDFW - Dallas

KDFI - Dallas

WJBK - Detroit

**KUTP** - Phoenix

KSAZ - Phoenix

WUTB - Baltimore

WRBW - Orlando

WOFL - Orlando

WOGX - Ocala

WAGA - Atlanta

KRIV - Houston

KTXH - Houston

WJW - Cleveland

WTVT - Tampa

KDVR - Denver

KTVI - St. Louis

WITI - Milwaukee

WDAF - Kansas City

KSTU - Salt Lake City

WHBQ - Memphis

WGHP - Greensboro

WBRC - Birmingham

KTBC - Austin

**BSkyB** 

**FOXTEL** 

SKYPerfecTV

STAR

Stream

Fox News Channel

Fox Movie Channel

FΧ

National Geographic Channel

SPEED Channel

Fox Sports Net

Fox Sports South

Fox Sports Pittsburgh

Fox Sports Southeast

Fox Sports Midwest

Fox Sports Rocky Mountain

Fox Sports Arizona

Fox Sports Northwest

Fox Sports West

Fox Sports West#2

Fox Sports Detroit

Fox Sports Bay Area (with Rainbow Media Holdings)

Fox Sports Chicago (with Rainbow Media Holdings)

Fox Sports New England (with Rainbow Media)

Fox Sports New York (with Rainbow Media)

Fox Sports Ohio (with Rainbow Media)

Fox Sports Intermountain West

Fox Sports Southwest

Sunshine Network

Madison Square Garden Network

## Film;

20th Century Fox

Fox Searchlight Pictures

Fox Television Studios

## Newspapers;

**United States:** 

**New York Post** 

#### United Kingdom;

News International

News of the World

The Sun

The Sunday Times

The Times

#### Australia;

Daily Telegraph

Fiji Times

**Gold Coast Bulletin** 

Herald Sun

Newsphotos

Newspix

Newstext

**NT News** 

Post-Courier

Sunday Herald Sun

Sunday Mail

**Sunday Tasmanian** 

Sunday Territorian

**Sunday Times** 

The Advertiser

The Australian

The Courier-Mail

The Mercury

The Sunday Telegraph

Weekly Times

# Magazines;

InsideOut

donna hay

**SmartSource** 

The Weekly Standard

TV Guide (partial)

## Books;

HarperCollins Publishers

HarperCollins General Book Group

HarperCollins

Perennial

**Cliff Street Books** 

The Ecco Press

Quill

HarperAudio

Regan Books

**Amistad Press** 

Zondervan

Morrow/Avon

William Morrow

Avon

HarperTorch

Eos

HarperEntertainment

HarperSanFrancisco

HarperInformation

HarperBusiness

HarperResource

Access Travel

William Morrow Cookbooks

**Branded Books Program** 

HarperCollins Children's Book Group

**Greenwillow Books** 

Joanna Cotler Books

Laura Geringer Books

HarperCollins HarperFestival HarperTrophy Tempest

Other:

Los Angeles Dodgers

New York Rangers & New York Knicks (20% - Through partnership with Cablevision)

Los Angeles Kings (NHL, 40% option)

Los Angeles Lakers (NBA, 9.8% option)

Staples Center (40% owned by Fox/Liberty)

News America New Media

Fox Sports Radio Network

**Broadsystem** 

Festival Records

Fox Interactive

Mushroom Records

National Rugby League

**NDS** 

**News Interactive** 

**News Outdoor** 

**Nursery World** 

is that enough right wing media for you, next time you want to patronize some-one about the media, try not to do it to a media graduate.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Nodbugger on Fri, 21 May 2004 20:48:04 GMT

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90% of those are local news channels that normally hold no bias at all.

That is why they have city names next to them.

And FOX is a little different than FOX News. Fox News is conservative. But once you get out to FOX it is just a normal TV station.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Nodbugger on Fri, 21 May 2004 20:49:03 GMT

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And that Pizza joke is not a bad idea. If you could find someones record like that it would make sure you are not around bad people. It would also be easier for employers to do background checks.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by smwScott on Fri, 21 May 2004 20:58:45 GMT

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Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by JadenStriker on Fri, 21 May 2004 22:23:36 GMT

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The reason why it is so easily dismissed is because there are rules and regulations against abusing the system in the manner which you speeck of. The users of the system are denied the privliged to just arbitraily scan a bunch of people in that manner, there has to be a cause for the scan or the commetty is commeting an illegal act. You know, it is like the everyday police, they can't bust into your house and search for drugs unless they have a warrent, and they cannont get a warrant unless strong enough adnormal events have occured to provocate them to do so.

The use of Maxtrix is legal limited to those who have been in adnormal enough events to legaly use the system on them. People like you and me don't have too worry about being scanneed for likely hood to commet a crime as EVERY FUCKING PERSON could likely commet a crime. Using the system for that would be a pointless witch hunt and a total waste of money. So many people would be getting arrested if the matrix was used that way that the courts would be begging for the system to be turned off or our nation would goto civil war. No one is that fuycking stupid to abuse the Matrix in that manner except power hungry, mallishes people who don't give a damn about this countries well being, and we do care.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by smwScott on Fri, 21 May 2004 23:01:00 GMT

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Actually many of those rights you speak of are temporarily suspended by the Patriot Act. The government can scan any computer, tap any phone, or raid any house as long as they have any suspicion of terrorist activity. They no longer need warrants. You say people like us don't need to worry about this, but American citizens have been arrested using these tactics.

And of course the system wouldn't be used to scan every person who could possibly commit a crime, because every person in the world could do just about anything under the right

circumstances, but it could deem that certain people have a particularly high tendency to do something criminal. Very similar to how it determines that certain people are more likely to commit a terrorist act...

But that's really aside the point. Our rights are being stripped away by the government constantly instituting more invasive methods of law enforcement. It comes down to how much freedom you're willing to give up for a false sense of security.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Nodbugger on Fri, 21 May 2004 23:08:36 GMT

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smwScott...you are wrong on so many levels.

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So it does not strip away rights. Only criminals get their rights taken away.

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Posted by Vitaminous on Fri, 21 May 2004 23:34:22 GMT

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Posted by Nodbugger on Fri, 21 May 2004 23:40:58 GMT

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Canada has FOX News as a pay station. Unlike any other national news service. You guys are

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Posted by smwScott on Sat, 22 May 2004 02:10:43 GMT

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Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Nodbugger on Sat, 22 May 2004 02:12:54 GMT

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## The thing is...YOU HAVE NO FUCKING PROOF!

My life has not been oppressed one bit. My life has not been altered because of the patriot act. I enjoy the same freedoms as I did 10 years ago.

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Posted by Hydra on Sat, 22 May 2004 04:54:12 GMT

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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, specifially, 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?"

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Posted by Phoenix - Aeon on Sat, 22 May 2004 07:38:10 GMT

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Firstly the company is called Time-Warner, they're dropping AOL from the name. Second to that TW is primarily unbiased aswell as having most of theirb holdings in film companies, record labels and the internet, all notoriously hard to pull off propoganda with. As to most of the News-Corporation not being a news channel, who-ever said that needs to learn about the media, it doesn't have to be news to be propoganda. A sports channel could decide to show a lot of right-wing party-political broadcasts, or they could invite right-wing people on for interviews on show. Either way I think the company that owns most ofb the media in america, BSkyB which controls almost all British Broadcasting and Star which goes out across the entirety of Asia can create a hell of a lot of propoganda. All of this is moot anyway, you asked me to name some right-wing media, I did, I can't really see what your problem is.

On-topic to be honest I can't see why people are complaining about this, Echelon has far more invasive proceedures than this and no-one complains about them.

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Posted by amid\_tha\_rubble on Sun, 23 May 2004 03:29:13 GMT

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i'm laughing at my country being called a police state.

and the links in the original post are fearmongering.

leave the national rugby league alone! We're not biased! (EXCEPT IN SAYING THAT RUGBY IS TEH BEST SPORTXORR LOL!!!!111)

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Posted by Doitle on Sun, 23 May 2004 06:16:53 GMT

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I'm glad to see the government start taking initiative again... I'm not a terrorist so I'm not worried. Everyone's so quick to be opposed to anything. This doesn't sound much like "The Matrix" at all to me. "The Matrix" being a system of keeping humans alive in pods so their heat can be harvested by robots, meanwhile they live out a perceived reality in a computer. Where as this matrix is a system of checking a persons background using a computer with a flagging method to help law

enforcement catch suspicious peoples... I think... Computer is in both... and uh... people? I say Go Government.

Subject: Afraid Yet?

Posted by Master. kirby on Tue, 25 May 2004 03:46:24 GMT

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the matrix has us all now there is no way out.