End the NSA’s Illegal Spying

What's Going On?

Recent documents revealed that the National Security Agency is conducting widespread, untargeted, domestic surveillance on millions of innocent Americans. We know three, of possibly many, secret programs.

- The NSA is obtaining the telephone records of every customer of telephone companies like Verizon — every call made, the time of the call, the duration of the call, and other “identifying information” for the phone and call, apparently based on an outrageous interpretation of the Patriot Act.

- The NSA obtains emails, videos, and other content from major Internet companies like Google, Microsoft, and Yahoo based on a guess by NSA analysts that the “target” is a foreigner talking to people inside the United States apparently based on an outrageous interpretation of the FISA Amendments Act.

- The NSA is tapping into Internet and other communications of Americans on the fiberoptic cables and other basic infrastructure of the Internet.

What We Want

- Full, independent, public Congressional investigation into the NSA’s powers and practices
- Release of secret legal decisions made by Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and memos by the DOJ about this and any other surveillance of Americans by the NSA.
- Release Inspector General Reports about NSA programs
- Release any other reports about necessity of programs and effectiveness of all NSA programs
- Public courts must determine the legality and constitutionality of all NSA programs

Legislative Reform: Fixing the Patriot Act and the FISA Amendments Act

In light of the leaks, it’s time to roll back the PATRIOT Act and FISA and reinstitute protections for Americans’ communications. This includes:

- Stop dragnet surveillance - no bulk collection of Americans communications or records, no open access to Internet datastreams and serious consequences for any violation
- Any collection of Americans communications or records should require a probable cause warrant
- Purge all Americans’ information from NSA databases

Support EFF and become a member today! eff.org/join