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Draft Investigatory Powers Bill

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A Network Operator's Perspective



"Data" includes any information which is not data

- Likely to be legislated in 2016
- » Replaces (parts of) RIPA, DRIPA, Data Retention Regs
- More than a hint of the Communications Data Bill
 - > Creates lots of Gov't powers, but few duties on others
 - Powers are mostly to order others to do things
 - It could be you, but wait till you hear

- » All "telecoms operators", not just public network/services
 - Unlike DRD, DRIPA
 - "telecoms operator" = anyone with a router, AFAICS
- Collecting data you don't currently have
 - Including third party data
- >> Formally
 - Any feasible measure to facilitate data acquisition
 - > Any feasible measure to facilitate interception warrants
 - Equipment interference
 - > Plus bulk variants of those, if you cross UK borders

- >> Home Office examples
 - "Request filter" (distributed db of all comms data)
 - > Preparations to remove electronic protection
 - > Remote access to computers; ISP required to help
- My thoughts (noting recent Gov't wishlists)
 - Make network slower/simpler/etc for easy monitoring?
 - "Government backdoors" for encryption systems?
 - > RATs in network equipment?
- >> Current Government may not: future one could

- Can seek review of orders based on
 - Technical feasibility
 -) Impact on business/other activities
- Gov't must make a (non-zero) contribution to your costs
- » Be ready to explain feasibility, impact, cost
- Would a community view be useful?
 - Need to agree this before any orders served
 - Legal penalties for disclosing an order







- » Bill with ToC (credit Ian Eiloart)
 - http://blog.eiloart.com/2015/11/the-governmentpublished-draft.html
- Analysis of source of clauses (credit IALS & friends)
 - https://inforrm.wordpress.com/2015/12/27/somethings-old-some-things-new-a-clause-by-clausereview-of-the-draft-investigatory-powers-billinvestigatory-powers-research-group/

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