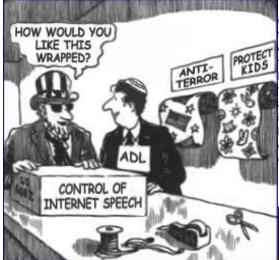
Censorship and the Society of Fear

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I am back in Rockville for two weeks, and I noticed the atmosphere of fear and control as soon as I arrived at Miami International airport, where US citizens are greeted by para-miltary police and large dogs as they deplane. The fear is even stronger in the DC area....



Imagine this: you are citizen a in country where the government controls what websites you can view. If only a single page on a website is said to be illegal (as defined by the government!) the whole domain can be taken down overnight using DNS blocking, even though thousands of other pages in the site are harmless. And DNS blocking means that where ever you are in the country, at home, work, internet cafe you can't even get to the website URL. And by law all the Internet Service Providers (ISPs) that you use to access the internet like Comcast, Verizon etc must block the sites too. It would be like if one person in a city like Washington DC was suspected of doing something illegal then the government would close down all communication with every resident of the city, no trial, overnight.



So what country is this you say? China, Iraq, some other place where the government censors their citizens' internet viewing because of the fear that truly free information might be dangerous? Yes you would be right. But soon to join this "special" group of countries is the United States with the PROTECT IP act just passed in Congress. You might say that the act is only aimed at illegal copies of movies. But

laws such as this that give wide powers of censorship and control to the government have a history of being stretched and abused. You only have to look at how the PATRIOT act has been stretched in the last 10 years to allow wiretapping and email eavesdropping of American citizens.

And most recently the Senate passed The National Defense Authorization Act to allow for the <u>indefinite detention</u> without trial at Gitmo of people including US citizens. And the government is asking the Supreme Court for the right to <u>GPS track anyone</u> without a warrant, which Justice Breyer described as "Orwellian government". Additionally these kinds of laws promote an atmosphere of fear in companies and individuals. People start to self censor. The clock is ticking back to 1984 as you read this...

More on the detention act from Mike Adams

The National Defense Authorization Act is being called the most traitorous act ever witnessed in the Senate, and the language of the bill is cleverly designed to make you think it doesn't apply to Americans, but toward the end of the bill it essentially says it can apply to Americans "if we want it to."

Bill Summary & Status , 112th Congress (2011 – 2012) | S.1867 | Latest Title: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 | Sponsor: Sen Levin, Carl [MI] (introduced 11/15/2011) | Related Bills: H.R.1540 | Latest Major Action: 12/1/2011 Passed /agreed to in Senate. | Status: Passed Senate with amendments by Yea-Nay. 93 – 7. | Record Vote Number: 218. | Latest Action: 12/1/2011 National Defense Authorization Act | Amendment details

This bill, passed late last night in a 93-7 vote, declares the entire USA to be a "battleground" upon which U.S. military forces can operate with impunity, overriding Posse Comitatus and granting the military the unchecked power to arrest, detain, interrogate and even assassinate U.S. citizens with impunity.

Even WIRED magazine was outraged at this bill, reporting:

Senate Wants the Military to Lock You Up Without Trial

...the detention mandate to use indefinite military detention in terrorism cases isn't limited to foreigners. It's confusing, because two different sections of the bill seem to contradict each other, but in the judgment of the University of Texas' Robert Chesney — a nonpartisan authority on military detention — "U.S. citizens are included in the grant of detention authority." <u>Source</u>

The passage of this law is nothing less than an outright declaration of WAR against the American People by the military-connected power elite. If this is signed into law, it will shred the remaining tenants of the Bill of Rights and unleash upon America a total military dictatorship, complete with secret arrests, secret prisons, unlawful interrogations, indefinite detainment without ever being charged with a crime, the torture of Americans and even the "legitimate assassination" of U.S. citizens on right here on American soil!

If you have not yet woken up to the reality of the police state we've been warning you about, I hope you realize we are fast running out of time. Once this becomes law, you have no rights whatsoever in America — no due process, no First Amendment speech rights, no right to remain silent, nothing.