

Reading critique #2

Paper : Abelson, Harold, et al. "Keys under doormats: mandating insecurity by requiring government access to all data and communications." *Journal of Cybersecurity* 1.1 (2015): 69-79.

1. Summary

This paper dicusses about the *exceptional access* for law enforcement organizations. It tries to define and presume the requirements while on the contrary showing its infeasibility. By showing debates since 1994 till nowadays and several senario analysis, it was clear that *exceptional access* would cause high security risk, intractable foreign affairs, broader costs to the economy, thwart to innovations, intrusion to individual privacy, etc. Finally, this paper brings out more unanswered questions for this topic as an end.

2. Strength of the paper

This paper dicussed about nearly all aspect of impacts which *exceptional access* would bring and it clearly shows that why *exceptional access* is impractical with current internet systems.

3. Weakness of the paper

It is really painful to read this paper with such a great number of abstruse words in it. Very painful.

4. My reflection

There is no denying that surveillance with clarity and transparency by the government can truly bring benefits. However, it is currently impossible to reach since there are still so much problem in every aspect (technical, jurisdictional, privacy, anonymity) needs to be solved.