



CODEBOOK CIVIL SOCIETY SCRUTINY

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1. Resources

1.1. Human Resources

(01) *What is your employment status?* [CShr1]

- A. Full-time (40 hours per week)
- B. Part-time, 50% or more
- C. Part-time, less than 50%
- D. Freelance
- E. Unpaid
- F. Other

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

[CShr1other]

[if CShr1 = answer F]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

(02) *How many days per month do you work on surveillance by intelligence agencies?*

[CShr2]

Please estimate: _____ days per month

1.2 Expertise

(03) *How many years have you spent working on surveillance by intelligence agencies?*

[CSexpertise1]

_____ years

(04) *How do you assess your level of expertise concerning the legal aspects of surveillance by intelligence agencies?*

For example, knowledge of intelligence law, case law. [CSexpertise2]

- 4 Expert knowledge (I rarely require external advice)
- 3 Advanced knowledge (I only require external advice in exceptional circumstances)
- 2 Some knowledge (I require external advice from time to time)
- 1 Basic knowledge (I require external advice in most cases)
- 0 No knowledge (I always require external advice)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(05) *How do you assess your level of expertise concerning the political aspects of*

surveillance by intelligence agencies?

For example, intelligence oversight processes, policy making processes. [CSexpertise3]

- 4 Expert knowledge (I rarely require external advice)
- 3 Advanced knowledge (I only require external advice in exceptional circumstances)
- 2 Some knowledge (I require external advice from time to time)
- 1 Basic knowledge (I require external advice in most cases)
- 0 No knowledge (I always require external advice)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(06) How do you assess your level of expertise concerning the technical aspects of surveillance by intelligence agencies?

For example, implementation of communications interception, intelligence data processing. [CSexpertise4]

- 4 Expert knowledge (I rarely require external advice)
- 3 Advanced knowledge (I only require external advice in exceptional circumstances)
- 2 Some knowledge (I require external advice from time to time)
- 1 Basic knowledge (I require external advice in most cases)
- 0 No knowledge (I always require external advice)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

1.3 Financial Resources

(07) How do you assess the financial resources that have been available for your work on intelligence over the past 5 years? [CSfinance1]

- 4 There was a great deal of funding (We have always been able to work on surveillance by intelligence agencies without budgetary constraints)
- 3 There was sufficient funding (We have in most cases been able to work on surveillance by intelligence agencies)
- 2 There was some funding (From time to time our resources were sufficient to work on surveillance by intelligence agencies)
- 1 There was very little funding (It is exceptional for us to have the resources to work on surveillance by intelligence agencies)
- 0 There was no funding (We have never had the resources to work on surveillance by intelligence agencies)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(08) How important are the following funding categories for your organisation's work on intelligence-related issues? [CSfinance2]

<i>a. Private foundations</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>b. Donations</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>c. National public funds (including public foundations)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>d. Corporate sponsorship</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>e. International public funds (such as EU funds)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>f. Other</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

(CSfinance2other)

[if answer f.= 4 -1]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

(09) Looking at the past year, which source of funding was most important in enabling you to work on intelligence-related issues? [CSfinance3]

(10) What effect did your work on surveillance by intelligence agencies have for your organisation's fundraising over the past 5 years? [CSfinance4]

- 4 Clearly beneficial for fundraising
- 3 Rather beneficial for fundraising
- 2 No effect on fundraising
- 1 Rather constraining for fundraising
- 0 Clearly constraining for fundraising

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

1.4 Freedom of Information

(11) Have you requested information under the national Freedom of Information Law when you worked on intelligence-related issues over the past 5 years? [CSfoi1]

1 Yes

0 No

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say.

(If no, please turn to Question 15)

[if 11= yes]

(12) How often did you request information? [CSfoi2]

_____ times in the past 5 years

[only if Question 11 was answered with yes]

(13) Over the past 5 years, did you receive a response to your FOI request(s) in a timely manner? [CSfoi3]

2 Yes, my request(s) were responded to within 30 days

1 No, my request(s) were not responded to in a timely manner and often took longer than 30 days to process

0 I never received responses to my request(s)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(14) [only if Question 11 was answered with yes]

How helpful have Freedom of Information requests been for your work on intelligence-related issues? [CSfoi4]

2 Very helpful (FOI requests substantially contributed to my work)

1 Helpful in parts (FOI requests contributed to my work to some extent)

0 Not helpful at all (FOI requests did not contribute to my work)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

[if answer to Question 11 = no]

(15) Why haven't you requested information under the national FOI law when you were working on intelligence-related issues over the past 5 years? [CSfoi5] [Check all that apply]

A. I was not aware of the possibility

B. The authority I would have requested information from is not covered by the FOI law

C. It seemed too expensive

D. It seemed too time-consuming

E. I was afraid that asking for official information could lead to data destruction

F. I was afraid of personal or professional discrimination

G. Other

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(CSfoi5other)

[if answer to (15) = G]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

CSO Activity - Pre-selection question

(16) What is the predominant activity that you have engaged in during the last 5 year concerning intelligence-related issues? [CSpreselection]

Choose one of the following answers

A) Public campaigning *[continue with 2.1]*

By "public campaigning" we refer to focused communications initiatives that aim to influence the public's opinions, attitudes and behaviour on intelligence-related issues. The primary target group is the general public.

B) Policy advocacy *[continue with 3.1]*

By "policy advocacy" we mean systematic attempts to influence politicians and institutions in their decision-making processes on intelligence-related issues. The primary target group is regulatory bodies and policy makers.

C) Strategic litigation *[continue with 4.1]*

By "strategic litigation" we mean the targeted use of legal proceedings aimed at advancing the common good or at protecting basic rights that are deemed to be insufficiently addressed in current legal frameworks related to intelligence. The primary target group is courts.

2. Public Campaigning

2.1 Activity

[if answer to question 16 is "A."]

(17) Please list the public campaigns concerning surveillance by intelligence agencies that your organisation has conducted within the past 5 years. [CScampact1]
Include both past and ongoing campaigns.

(18) How important are the following campaigning tools for your work concerning intelligence-related issues? [CScampact2]

A. Media contributions (e.g. interviews, op-eds, essays)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
B. Own publications (e.g. policy briefs, blog posts, videos, podcasts)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
C. Petitions and open letters	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
D. Public events (e.g. conferences, panel discussions)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
E. Collaborations with celebrities and influencers	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
F. Demonstrations and rallies	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

<i>G. Social media communications</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>H. Advertising (online or offline ads)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>I. Volunteer activities (e.g. decentral mobilisation events)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>J. Providing technical tools (e.g. plugins to block tracking)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>K. Support for campaign activities in other countries (e.g. on EU level)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 Don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>L. Other</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 Don't know 999 I prefer not to say

(CScampact2other)

[if answer L = 4-1]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

2.2 Transnational Scope

(19) How frequently do your public campaigns address transnational issues of surveillance by intelligence agencies? [CScamprans1]

- 4 Always
- 3 Often (~75% of the time)
- 2 Sometimes (~50% of the time)
- 1 Rarely (~25% of the time)
- 0 Never

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(20) When conducting public campaigns on surveillance by intelligence agencies, how often do you collaborate with civil society actors in other countries? [CScamptans2]

- 4 Always
- 3 Often (75% of the time)
- 2 Sometimes (50% of the time)
- 1 Rarely (25% of the time)
- 0 Never

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

2.3 Perceived Impact

(21) How much do you agree with the following statements concerning the effectiveness of your campaigning activities regarding intelligence-related issues over the past 5 years? [CScampimpact1]

A. Our campaigning helped to increase public awareness of intelligence-related issues.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
B. Our campaigning demands have been reflected in policies.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
C. Our campaigning created media attention for intelligence-related issues.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
D. Our campaigning activities achieved our initially defined goals.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

	1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	
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[if answer to A.-D. = 2 or higher]

(22) Please give an example of the impact that you see, such as references to your campaigning materials, same or similar wording or narratives used in official documents, personal feedback you received, online statistics, etc. [CScampimpact2]

3. Policy Advocacy

3.1 Activity

[if answer to question 16 is "B."]

(23) Please list the policy advocacy activities (e.g. lobbying and research) concerning surveillance by intelligence agencies that your organisation has conducted within the past 5 years. [CSadvocact1]

Include both past and ongoing advocacy activities.

(24) How important are the following policy advocacy tools for your work on intelligence-related issues? [CSadvocact2]

A. Research & analysis (e.g. policy papers, reports)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
B. Contributing to consultations (e.g. parliamentary hearings)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
C. Briefing of policy makers (e.g. politicians, government officials)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

<i>D. Expert events (e.g. round tables, public discussions)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>E. Participation in fora or bodies (e.g. standardisation panels, governance boards, government working groups, etc.)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>F. Legal opinions (e.g. amicus curiae statements)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>G. Informal encounters (e.g. dinners, after work drinks, etc.)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>H. Other</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

(CSadvocact2other)

[if answer G = 4-1]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

3.2 Transnational Scope

(25) How frequently does your policy advocacy address transnational issues of surveillance by intelligence agencies? [CSadvoctrans1]

- 4 Always
- 3 Often (75% of the time)
- 2 Sometimes (50% of the time)
- 1 Rarely (25% of the time)
- 0 Never

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(26) When performing policy advocacy concerning surveillance by intelligence agencies, how often do you collaborate with civil society actors in other countries? [CSadvoctrans2]

- 4 Always
- 3 Often (75% of the time)
- 2 Sometimes (50% of the time)
- 1 Rarely (25% of the time)
- 0 Never

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

3.3 Perceived Impact

(27) How much do you agree with the following statements concerning the effectiveness of your advocacy activities regarding intelligence-related issues over the past 5 years? [CSadvocimpact1]

A. Our advocacy has helped to increase public awareness for surveillance by intelligence agencies.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
B. Our policy recommendations have been reflected in policies.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
C. Our policy research contributed to more informed debates about surveillance by intelligence agencies.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
D. Our advocacy activities achieved our initially defined goals.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

[if answer to A.-C. is 2 or higher]

(28) Please give an example of the impact that you see, such as references to your materials, same or similar wording used in official documents, personal feedback you received, etc.

[CSadvocimpact2]

4. Strategic Litigation

4.1 Activity

[if answer to question 16 is "C."]

(29) Please name the cases of strategic litigation concerning surveillance by intelligence agencies that your CSO has participated in within the past 5 years (including ongoing litigation). [CSlitigateact1]

Include both past and ongoing litigation.

(30) How important are the following strategic litigation tools for your work concerning intelligence-related issues? [CSlitigateact2]

A. Initiating and/or coordinating a lawsuit	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
B. Initiating a legal complaint (e.g. data protection complaint)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
C. Supporting existing litigation (e.g. amicus curiae brief, expert statement, contributions to hearings)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
D. Other	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

(CSlitigateact2other)

[if answer D = 4-1]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

4.2 Costs

(31) How frequently did the costs (e.g. court fees, loser pays principles, lawyers fees) prevent your organisation from starting a strategic litigation process? [CSlitigatecost1]

- 4 Always or very often (costs prevented us from starting litigation in about 80-100 percent of potential cases)
- 3 Often (costs prevented us from starting litigation in about 60-80 percent of potential cases)
- 2 Sometimes (costs prevented us from starting litigation in about 40-60 percent of potential cases)
- 1 Rarely (costs prevented us from starting litigation in about 20-40 percent of potential cases)
- 0 Never or very rarely (costs prevented us from starting litigation in less than 20 percent of potential cases)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(32) How frequently did your organisation benefit from pro bono support? [CSlitigatecost2]

- 4 Always or very often (benefited in more than 80 percent of strategic litigation cases)
- 3 Often (benefited in about 60-80 percent of strategic litigation cases)
- 2 Sometimes (benefited in about 40-60 percent of strategic litigation cases)
- 1 Rarely (benefited in about 20-40 percent of strategic litigation cases)
- 0 Never or very rarely (benefited in less than 20 percent of strategic litigation cases)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(33) Imagine your organisation lost a strategic litigation case concerning surveillance by intelligence agencies. How financially risky would it be for the organisation to be defeated in court? [CSlitigatecost3]

- 2 Not risky at all (even losing multiple cases could not threaten future operations)
- 1 Somewhat risky (losing multiple cases could threaten future operations)
- 0 Very risky (losing just one case could cause bankruptcy)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

4.3 Transnational Scope

(34) How frequently do your strategic litigation cases address transnational issues of surveillance by intelligence agencies? [CSlitigatetrans1]

- 4 Always
- 3 Often (75% of the time)

2 Sometimes (50% of the time)
 1 Rarely (25% of the time)
 0 Never

777 I don't know
 999 I prefer not to say

(35) When performing strategic litigation concerning surveillance by intelligence agencies, how often do you collaborate with civil society actors in other countries? [CSlitigatetrans2]

4 Always
 3 Often (75% of the time)
 2 Sometimes (50% of the time)
 1 Rarely (25% of the time)
 0 Never

777 I don't know
 999 I prefer not to say

4.4 Perceived Impact

(36) How much do you agree with the following statements concerning the effectiveness of your strategic litigation activities regarding surveillance by intelligence agencies over the past 5 years? [CSlitigateimpact1]

A. Our litigation helped to increase public awareness of surveillance by intelligence agencies.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
B. Our litigation changed the prevalent case law in line with our initial goals.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
C. Our litigation led to amendments to surveillance legislation.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
D. Our litigation revealed new information about intelligence surveillance.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

E. Our litigation activities achieved our initially defined goals.	4 Agree completely 3 Agree to a great extent 2 Agree somewhat 1 Agree slightly 0 Not agree at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
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[if answer to A.-E. is 2 or higher]

(37) Please give an example of the impact that you see, such as references to your lawsuits or complaints, personal feedback you received, etc. [CSlitigateimpact2]

5. Protection

5.1 Operational Protection

(38) Have you taken either of the following measures to protect your data from attacks and surveillance? [CSprotectops1]

	1 Yes	0 No	777 I don't know	999 I prefer not to say
a. Participation in digital security training				
b. Use of end-to-end encrypted communication channels				

(39) [If either answer to (38) = yes] → Were any of these measures provided by your employer? [CSprotectops2]

1 Yes

0 No

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(40) How important is the use of the following tools for you to protect your communications, your online activities and the data you handle? [CSprotectops3]

A. Email Encryption (e.g. PGP)	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
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	0 Not important at all	
<i>B. VPN</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>C. TOR</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>D. End-to-end encrypted messenger services</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>E. Encryption for your devices (e.g. hard drive, thumb drives)</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>F. Two-factor verification</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say
<i>G. Other</i>	4 Very important 3 Important 2 Somewhat important 1 Slightly important 0 Not important at all	777 I don't know 999 I prefer not to say

(CSprotectops3other)

[if answer G = 4-1]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

(41) Which of the following statements best describes your level of confidence in the protection offered by technological tools? [*single choice*] [CSprotectops4]

A. I have full confidence that the right tools will protect my communication from surveillance.

B. Technological tools help to protect my identity to some extent, but an attacker with

sufficient power may eventually be able to bypass my technological safeguards.
 C. Under the current conditions of communications surveillance, technological solutions cannot offer sufficient protection for the data I handle.
 D. I have no confidence in the protection offered by technological tools.
 E. I try to avoid technology-based communication whenever possible when I work on intelligence-related issues.

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

5.2 Legal Protection

(42) When working on intelligence-related issues, do you feel you have reason to be concerned about surveillance of your activities as a CSO representative? [CSprotectleg1]

- 0 Always (There is almost always reason to be concerned about surveillance),
- 1 Often (In most cases there is a reason to be concerned about surveillance),
- 2 Sometimes (From time to time, there is reason to be concerned about surveillance)
- 3 Rarely (In exceptional cases, there is reason to be concerned about surveillance)
- 4 Never (I never have reason to be concerned about surveillance)

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(43) Do you regard the existing legal protections against surveillance of your civic activities (for example surveillance of your professional communications) in your country as a sufficient safeguard for your work on intelligence-related issues? [CSprotectleg2]

1 Yes

0 No

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(CSprotectleg2no)

[if 43 = no]

If you selected 'no', please specify:

(44) Are any of the following forms of institutional support readily available to you?
 [CSprotectleg3]

	1 Yes	0 No	777 I don't know	999 I prefer not to say
A. Free legal counselling (e.g. by law clinics or				

unions)				
B. Legal cost insurance				
C. Other				

(CSprotectleg3other)

[if answer C = Yes]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

6. Constraints

6.1 Interference by state authorities

(45) Has your CSO or have you yourself been subjected to surveillance by intelligence agencies in the past five years? [CSconstraintinter1]

0 Yes, I have evidence that my CSO or I was subjected to surveillance

1 Yes, I suspect my CSO or I was subjected to surveillance

2 No

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(46) In the past 5 years, have you been threatened with prosecution or have you actually been prosecuted for your work on intelligence-related issues? [CSconstraintinter2]

0 Yes

1 No

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

→

(47) [If 46 = yes], What was the outcome? [CSconstraintinter3]

A. I was threatened with prosecution

B. I was prosecuted but acquitted

C. I was prosecuted and convicted

777 I don't know

999 I prefer not to say

(48) In the past 5 years, have you or a member of your organisation experienced any of the following interferences by public authorities in relation to your work on intelligence related topics? [CSconstraintinter4]

	0 Yes	1 No	777 I don't know	999 I prefer not to say
A. Police searches of workplaces and/or private domiciles				
B. Seizure of material				
C. Extortion				
D. Violent threats against you, family members or friends				
E. Special inspections during travels				
F. Detention				
G. Surveillance signalling				
H. Online harassment directed at you, your family members or friends (such as doxing, tampering with social media accounts)				
I. Entry on deny lists				
J. Exclusion from press conferences or other events by state authorities				
K. Public defamation				

(49) *In the past 5 years, have you been approached by intelligence officials and received ...*
[CSconstraintinter5]

	0 Yes	1 No	777 I don't know.	999 I prefer not to say
A. Unsolicited information				
B. Invitations to off-the-record events or meetings				

C. Other				
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(CSconstraintinter5ot)

[if answer C = Yes]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

(50) *When working on intelligence-related issues have you ever experienced harassment by security agencies or politicians due to your ...* [CSconstraintinter6]

[select all that apply]

	0 Yes	1 No	777 I don't know.	999 I prefer not to say
A. Gender				
B. Ethnicity				
C. Political orientation				
D. Sexual orientation				
E. Religious affiliation				
F. Other				

(CSconstraintinter6ot)

[if answer F = Yes]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

6.2 Self-Censorship

(51) *Which of the following behaviours have you experienced or observed in your professional environment related to your work on intelligence-related topics?*

[CSconstraintself1]

	0 Yes	1 No	777 I don't know	999 I prefer not to say
A. I, or someone I know, avoided advocating for contentious policy changes related to surveillance by intelligence agencies.				
B. I, or someone I know, canceled a public campaign on				

surveillance by intelligence agencies.				
C.I, or someone I know, withdrew a litigation case related to surveillance by intelligence agencies.				
D. I, or someone I know, actually quit working on intelligence-related issues due to their sensitivity.				
E. Other				

(CSconstraintself1oth)

[if answer E = Yes]

If you selected 'other', please specify:

7. Attitudes

(52) *The following four statements are about intelligence agencies. Please select the statement you most agree with, based on your national context.* [necessity of intelligence agencies] [CSattitude1]

- A. Intelligence agencies are incompatible with democratic values and should be abolished.
- B. Intelligence agencies contradict democratic principles, and their powers should be kept at a bare minimum.
- C. Intelligence agencies are necessary and legitimate institutions of democratic states, even though they may sometimes overstep their legal mandates.
- D. Intelligence agencies are a vital component of national security and should be shielded from excessive bureaucratic restrictions.

999 I prefer not to say

(53) *The following four statements are about intelligence oversight. Please select the statement you most agree with, based on your national context.* [role of intelligence oversight] [CSattitude2]

- A. Intelligence oversight generally succeeds in uncovering past misconduct and preventing future misconduct
- B. Intelligence oversight is mostly effective, however its institutional design needs reform for oversight practitioners to reliably uncover past misconduct and prevent future misconduct
- C. Intelligence oversight lacks efficacy, hence a fundamental reorganization of oversight capacity is needed for oversight practitioners to reliably uncover past misconduct and

prevent future misconduct

D. Effective intelligence oversight is a hopeless endeavour and even a systematic reorganization is unlikely to ensure misconduct is uncovered and prevented.

999 I prefer not to say

(54) In your personal view, what are the goals of intelligence oversight? Please select the three goals of oversight you subscribe to the most. [CSattitude3]

Check all that apply

Please select from 1 to 3 answers.

- A. Ensuring the rule of law
- B. Protecting civil liberties
- C. Ensuring the effectiveness of intelligence agencies
- D. Ensuring the legitimacy of intelligence agencies
- E. Building trust in intelligence agencies
- F. Enabling public contestation and critique of intelligence agencies

999 I prefer not to say

Other: _____

Besides civil society organisations, there are several other actors that are engaged in intelligence oversight. In the following three questions, please rank the actors according to how much you trust them to perform certain oversight practices, but only if they exist in your national context.

5d) Which of the following actors do you trust the most to enable public debate on surveillance by intelligence agencies? [CSattitude4]

Double-click or drag-and-drop items in the left list to move them to the right - your highest ranking item should be on the top right, moving through to your lowest ranking item.

Select only those actors that exist in your country. [random order = yes]	Please rank here:
Parliamentary oversight bodies Judicial oversight bodies Independent expert bodies Data protection authorities Audit courts The media	1. 2...

5e) Which of the following actors do you trust the most to contest surveillance by intelligence agencies? [CSattitude5]

Double-click or drag-and-drop items in the left list to move them to the right - your highest ranking item should be on the top right, moving through to your lowest ranking item.

Select only those actors that exist in your country. [random order = yes]	Please rank here:
Parliamentary oversight bodies Judicial oversight bodies Independent expert bodies Data protection authorities Audit courts The media	1. 2...

5f) Which of the following actors do you trust the most to enforce compliance regarding surveillance by intelligence agencies? [CSattitude6]

Double-click or drag-and-drop items in the left list to move them to the right - your highest ranking item should be on the top right, moving through to your lowest ranking item.

Select only those actors that exist in your country. [random order = yes]	Please rank here:
Parliamentary oversight bodies Judicial oversight bodies Independent expert bodies Data protection authorities Audit courts The media	1. 2...

8. Demographic Characteristics

(58) Which country do you primarily work in? [CScountry]
(Does not have to conform with your country of residence.)
Name of country: _____

(59) Gender: How do you identify? [CSgender]

- A. Woman
- B. Non-binary
- C. Man
- D. I prefer to self-describe, below
- E. I prefer not to say

[CSgendersd]

Please self-describe here: _____

[Outro]

Thank you very much for your participation. It means a lot to us. Thanks to you and other voluntary participants we can advance the knowledge base on intelligence oversight and democratic control of surveillance in the digital age.

If you like, please name up to three other experts or organisations that work on intelligence-related issues that you think could fill out this survey in order to provide us with an even better picture of civic intelligence oversight. (Please do not include contact information.) [CSsnowball]

Person or organisation 1 _____

Person or organisation 2 _____

Person or organisation 3 _____

If you want to hear about the results of this survey, please enter your email address here:

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