Escaping the Surveillance Blackhole

with Free Mobile Computing (0G)





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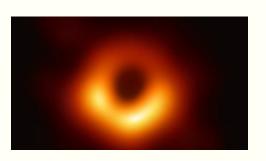
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Summary

- Surveillance devices
- Desirable features
- Inseparable?
- Viable alternative
- Time is ripe
- Let's make them!







Surveillance Devices

- Our telescreens are portable
- Camera, microphone, biometrics, GPS...
- Always listening, always online
- Apps serving many big brothers
- Your personal data can't escape



We have long known this! Smart is idloTic
Surveiling Most Actions 'Round Tenant

Why can't we resist?

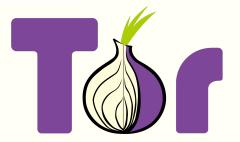
- Desirable features on the go
 - Comms, WWW, Maps, ...
- No implied surveillance
- Available as Free Software
- Ultraportable devices: problematic
- Phoning requires tracking anyway (?)





Rethinking the Network

Tor Onion Services on uPoCs



- TPBay: untraceable, unblockable
- Connect to home server behind NAT



Call me at my Onion address

Rethinking the Network

- Tracking your data link?
- Ditch the simcards!
- Community WiFi
- OLPC-like mesh
 - Devices extended the network



Device considerations

- Free Software, Free Hardware
- Time is ripe: all tech available
- CPU? GPU? WiFi?
- Pluggable GSM?
- Pluggable laptop/KVM



Do you want how many?

Business plan

- OLPC: made for kids, sold to governments
- Robust, cute, very usable, repairable
- Focus on cost, not performance



- Grow the network through public education
- Who'd force telescreens onto school kids?
- Strong copyleft vs ad-ucation
- Privacy, P2P apps, pervasive network



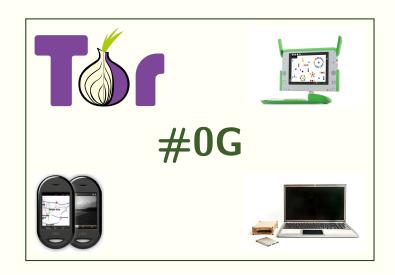
Business plan

- Avoid partners with conflicting interests
- Expect fierce opposition
 - phone service businesses
 - hardware manufacturers



- Remember: OLPC died, netbooks went on
- Decentralize the net, innovation follows

Thank you!





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