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Senator the Hon George Brandis QC
The Attorney-General

cc. *The Minister for Communications*

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Dear Senator Brandis,

Data Retention

The Internet Society of Australia (ISOC-AU) is a non-profit, user-focused organisation which promotes development of the Internet in Australia to benefit the whole community, including business, academic, professional, and private Internet users. The organisation and its members have considerable expertise in relation to Internet protocols.

We understand from media reports that you have provided companies within the telecommunications industry with information about the data that you propose be retained by ISPs, in order to facilitate access by national security agencies.

The Internet affects every business and every person in Australia. For this reason, Internet governance is intrinsically multi-stakeholder, and the development of effective solutions to problems requires the involvement of all stakeholders.

We hereby request that you extend the consultation process beyond the very small sub-set of stakeholders you have involved to date, and, in particular, include ISOC-AU in this process.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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