To Whom It May Concern,

I understand that there has been some consideration for allowing the meta data that ISPs retain to be used in civil court proceedings. This can not be allowed to occur, this is comparable to the mandatory internet filter that was attempted to be implemented not so long ago, except worse. The repercussions of this will be felt far and wide, not just in copyright cases, as I'm sure this was intended, it will only be a matter of time when this will be turned on an MP, or ex-MP. For any real criminals, there are a multitude of ways to make sure data retention is useless anyway, so the only people this could effect, are average Australians, not any actual criminals doing harm.

I have voted Liberal in the past, starting with John Howard, but this is the final straw, I can not, in any way support a party that would want to do this to the Australian people. As a newly elected senator has said many times in the past "Shame shame shame."

Regards,
Ben H.