Hello. As a member of the public I understand the need to security and safety but ultimately am concerned about the scope creep proposed for metadata collected under the guise of protection of our national security.

I am personally uncomfortable with the current collection of data in a drag-net approach and more importantly allowing it to be accessed with less and less restrictions by agencies. The thought of people being able to use this data in civil cases (albeit important cases) is another worrying scope creep in what has only been something running for a matter of years or less.

I urge you to protect the few rights to privacy we as citizens currently have and determine that the use of this metadata in proceedings of a civil nature is an unacceptable use of the data and goes against the fundamental purpose of this collection.

Kind Regards
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