### **Freedom and Security**

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#### **But security for whom?**

#### ...and freedom from what?

#### Introduction

# PIRATPARTIET

#### **Pirate Party Quick Facts**

Created in 2006 in Sweden

7.1% in European Elections – two seats in EP

Largest party for under-30 voters

Sister parties in 40+ countries

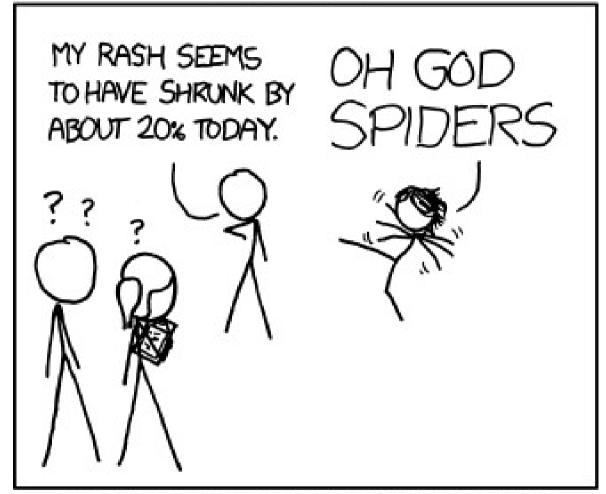
Civil Liberties movement:

- transparency and accountability of power
- privacy and civil liberties for the citizen
- freedom to invent, create and share

## Research into Freedom and Security

### **Control Groups**

#### MY HOBBY:



SNEAKING INTO EXPERIMENTS AND GIVING LSD TO THE CONTROL GROUP

(courtesy of xkcd.com)



#### **Thought experiment**





# Right half: security

# Right half: security and freedom

#### Left half:

#### Left half: Terrorists

# Left half: Terrorists and unemployment

# How do people move in the land of Pretendia?



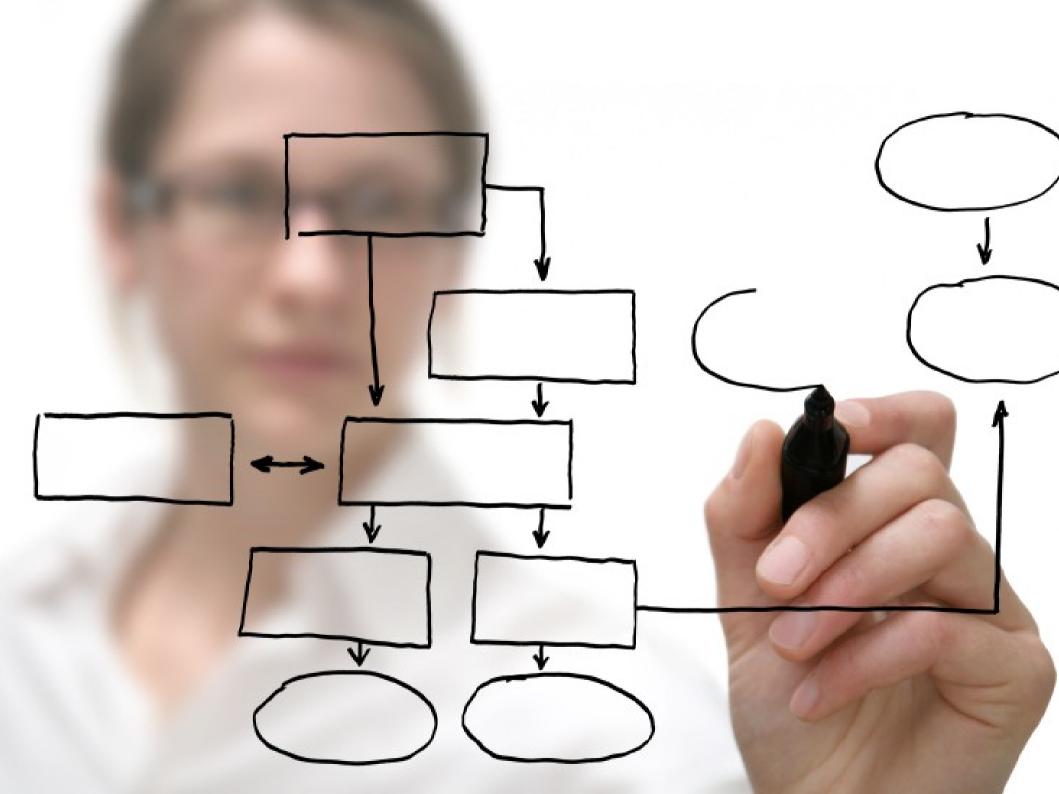
#### We have the answer

#### Pretendia has existed



### **Poverty**

#### Entrepreneurship



# Freedom – from what? Security – for whom?

## Isn't the world more dangerous?

## **Alphaville**

#### 1984

Let's dance in style, let's dance for a while

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Let's dance in style, let's dance for a while Heaven can wait, we're only watching the skies Hoping for the best, but expecting the worst: Let's dance in style, let's dance for a while Heaven can wait, we're only watching the skies Hoping for the best, but expecting the worst: Are you gonna drop the bomb or not?

#### 1,500 Europeans die each year

# Toxic furniture filling kills 1,500 Europeans every year.



### **Previously:**

# The ability to address the public was a privilege held by few.

# Politicians are forcing businesses to protect freedom and security.

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But which freedom and security?



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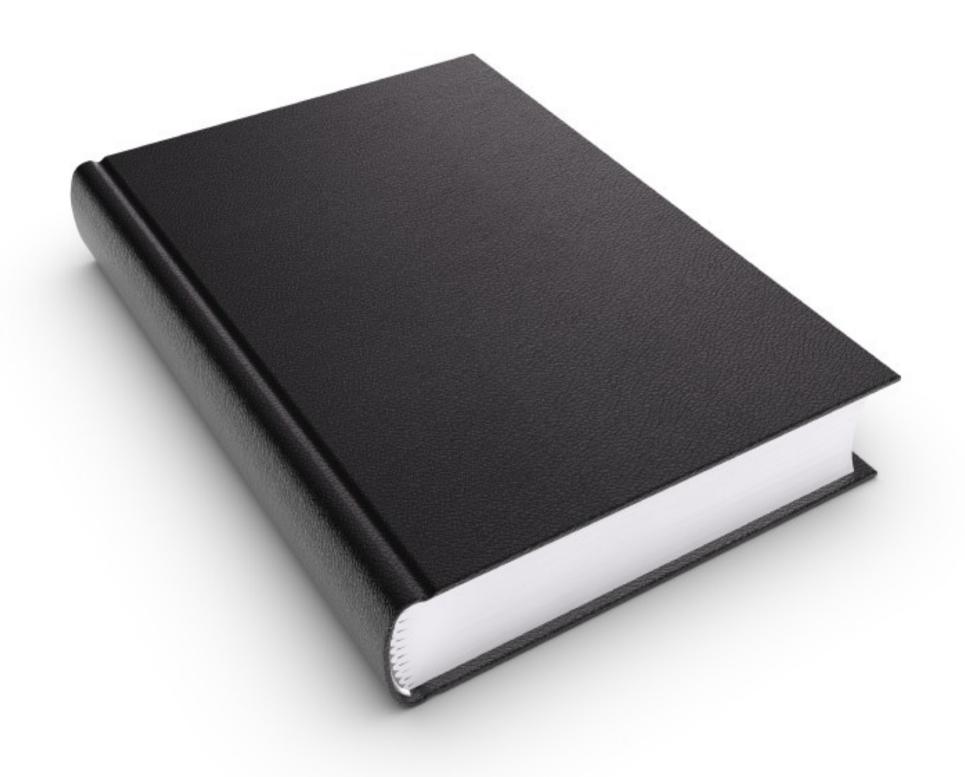


## Not the security of people's liberties;

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Rather, the security of the status quo.

#### **Guest books**



#### **Government owned**

### Government could keep tabs on who talked to whom

#### **Data retention**

### Government can keep tabs on who talks to whom

# Government can keep tabs on who talks to whom, when, for how long and from where

### Self-censorship

### Copyright industry driven

### Anonymity services is on the rise



# Anonymity services is on the rise among people who DON'T fileshare





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so I tried turning it off and on again

#### The Internet:

# The Internet: IS speech,

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# Telecoms operators are pivotal in safeguarding civil rights

#### Case: Vodafone

#### **Business sense**

#### Case: Bahnhof

# When politicians force you to choose between them or your customers,

it makes business sense to choose your customers.

### **Security and Freedom**

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