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An Overview of Information Privacy Issues Relevant to the APEC Region

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- Cultural notions of personal privacy vary within the APEC region
- See the film "A Great Wall" (1985) by Peter Wong for cultural differences between Chinese from PRC and visiting Chinese-American relatives (first U.S.-China production made in China)
- The notion of privacy guaranteed by law also varies within the region
- Some economies are moving in the direction of providing privacy rights guaranteed by law, e.g. Japan
- Some economies are moving or attempting to move in the opposite direction with resistance from human rights groups, e.g. U.S., Australia, UK, often using the rationale of national security for the use of technology to erode traditional privacy rights from a non-digital age
- Some economies are actively working to preserve traditional privacy rights, e.g. Canada
- Some economies are new to the concept of privacy guaranteed by law, and actively use blocking, monitoring, filtering technologies, web cams to monitor who is using cyber cafes, etc.
- Some economies are affected by the Digital Divide and have not yet formulated privacy policies or laws

E-government and privacy

- Trust us with your data = ????
- Attacks on critical information infrastructure
- Government databases, e.g. for medical records
- Data mining, data matching
- Government requests for and retention of traffic data, etc. – <u>Google case</u>

E-commerce and privacy

- Issues for multinational corporations doing business across borders
- Intellectual Property protection
- National security issues
- Protection of individual consumer data
 - 2005 was a bad year, with a proliferation of identity theft cases in the U.S., for example

A PARADIGM SHIFT DUE TO NEW TECHNOLOGIES?

- Susan W. Brenner comments
- Justice Sandra Day O'Connor comments

PRESERVATION OF EXISTING CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTIONS OF PRIVACY VIA USE OF TECHNOLOGY?

K.A. Taipale comments

RESOURCES FOR FURTHER THOUGHT AND DISCUSSION

FILM: "A Great Wall", Directed by Peter Wang, Produced by Shirley Sun (1985). W&S Productions/Nanhai Film Co., MGM Home Entertainment –DVD 2002. First American feature film shot in the People's Republic of China. For a review, see <u>www.timeout.com/film/70542.html</u>

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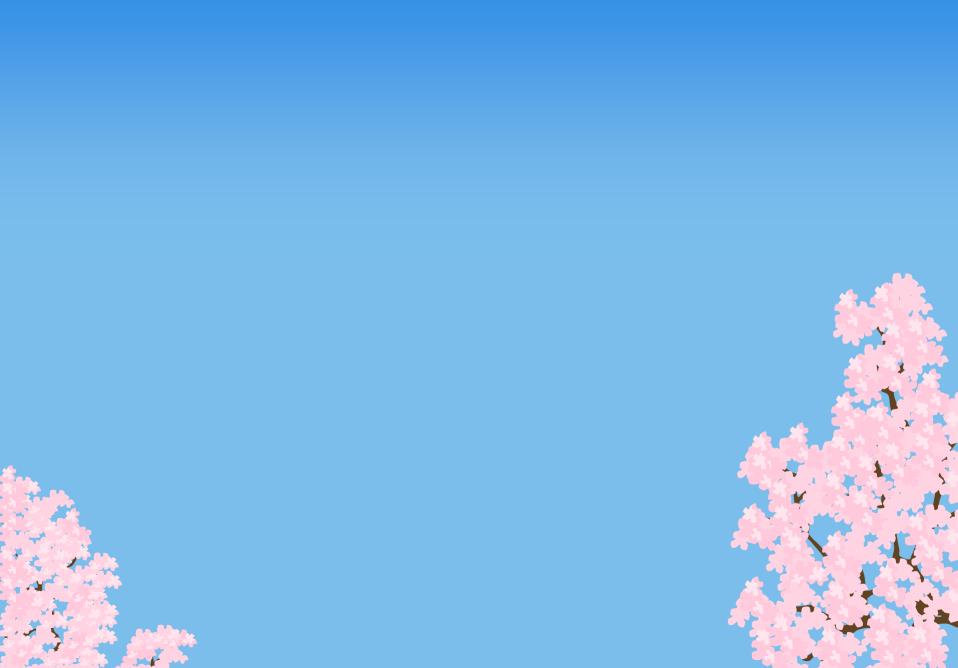
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- ✤ ASSOCIATION POSITION PAPERS RE: ONLINE PRIVACY
- Position paper from the Japan Federation of Bar Associations to the 11th United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, March 17, 2005, <u>http://www.nichibenren.or.jp/en/activities/statements/20050317.html</u> (privacy and Council of Europe Cybercrime Convention concerns)
- American Bar Association- Letter from the President of the ABA to President George W. Bush February 13, 2006
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- American Library Association <u>http://www.ala.org/ala/washoff/WOIssues/civilliberties/theusapatriotact/usap</u>



RELEVANT WEBSITES

- Reporters without Borders
- Privacy International
- See Briefing for Members of the European Parliament on Data Retention Sept. 26, 2005 for a contrast with U.S. view <u>http://www.privacyinternational.org/article.shtml?cmd[347]=x-347-367988</u>
- Electronic Frontier Foundation
- Electronic Privacy Information Center
 Japan Federation of Bar Associations
- ♦ LAWSUITS
- American Civil Liberties Union et al v. National Security Agency/ Central Security Service, Complaint for Declaratory and Injunctive Relief, pdf file at http://www.findlaw.com

LAW Japan Privacy Resource

http://www.privacyexchange.org/japan/main.html