

Mass surveillance & Internet filtering

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Try:

- Checking the connection
- Checking the proxy and the firewall
- Running Windows Network Diagnostics

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How Internet filtering works?

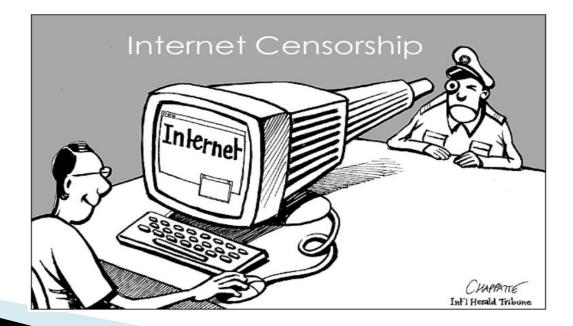
- 1 Filtering at the national level.
- 2- Filtering by service providers.
- 3- Individual PCs or local networks.



The success of the Internet as a communications medium has led to:

1- increasing attempts to censor online content.

2-The rapid growth in the surveillance of the private lives of millions of Internet users worldwide.



The reasons of mass surveillance online:

1-The rapid progress in communication technology which helped individuals in communicate with a number of different ways, using the same device.

2- The possibility of stored of communication data via the Internet, provided to the government and private companies, all of important information.

3- The reduction in the costs of surveillance process.

4- The legal framework that has been developed by many of countries.

The legal framework:

1- Surveillance powers must be provided by law which is accessible and contains adequate safeguards against abuse.

2-Must identify the conditions under which government agencies may use surveillance powers.

3-setting clear limits on the discretion of the authorities.

4-The use of surveillance powers must always be authorized by an independent and impartial authority "judge"

5- Surveillance powers may only be used where it is strictly necessary to do so in pursuit of a legitimate aim.

How can we protect our privacy?

*There are many ways to browse the websites blocked freely, by using special software like TOR or Virtual Private Network(VPN)

*Almost a year ago UAE introduced a law to fine anyone using VPN, one minor reason is financial to limit the use of free VOIP software.

Some advices to data protection:

1-DON'T use the same passwords for all accounts.

2-DON'T open not reliable emails, files or links from anonymous.

3-Update the antivirus program and scan files constantly.

4-Make back up for all important files.



Questions to law enforcement

*Why does surveillance take place?

*How will be useful for national security?

*Is there harmful for national security?

*Will they store the data they collect?

*Will they be able to protect this stored data?

*Is there specific and accessible time?

The government must provide a clear answers to all of this questions to ensure the privacy of individuals as it want ensure protect of national security.

