

**Submission  
No 17**

**INQUIRY INTO REMEDIES FOR THE SERIOUS INVASION  
OF PRIVACY IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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NSW LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ,  
LAW AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE ['NSWLC,L&JCtee'] ['L&JCtee']

INQUIRY : Remedies for the Serious Invasion of Privacy in New South Wales

Dear L&JCtee,

Sunday Telegraph 20Sep2015 at "NEWS (page) 17 under the headline "INSECURITY CAMERAS Big Neighbour is peering on you 20/09/2015 10:21:18 CH2", EXCLUSIVE LIA HARRIS CRIME REPORTER, mentions the L&JCtee's investigation of "the need to introduce tough sentences for people who post revenge porn online".

Please accept this Representation passed on from Submissioners and Constituent views in boondiboondi Bondi.

There is a Community view that 'Revenge Porn' is not a Privacy issue, rather more of a sexual assault issue.

This (sexual assault) issue has been obfuscated by crime statistics which doubted the increase of sexual assaults against Women by saying that Women felt more empowered to come forward when there was in fact increasing numbers of sexual assaults over more than a decade and that this was specifically done to blur the edges and issues surrounding clarifying that this (revenge porn-> sexual assault) is a breach of law and that this was done for perhaps other reasons including internet security for the violent\gonzo porn industry linked by some researchers to this increase in sexual violence, including the emergence of the phenomenon of internet revenge porn.

In the meantime a large amount of Women were allowed to be hurt and therefore Submissioners believe that both the gatherers of crime statistics and the government were directly responsible for a large number of Women being hurt.

'Justice delayed is justice denied' is a pertinent principle and applicable to this broader sexual assault context where the NSW Government's actions are described as 'lazy, callous' (16,17 May 2015, Sydney Morning Herald page 16 NEWS, headline "Domestic violence, Review team ignored, Labor slams...government's failure to act, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE:SHINE A LIGHT, #SHINEALIGHT") in its accused failure to act more quickly on Domestic Violence reports examining in part detailed Domestic Violence related homicides.

A tangential caution is that the crack down on internet revenge porn and abusive internet content broadcasting must not restrict the use of the internet as an international communication medium and the Citizen's Right to Freedom of Information especially in the context of the need for governments and corporations to demonstrate and exercise more responsibility towards the whole Community, but more so Indigenous Peoples and the abuse-vulnerable.

Please Consider ,  
THAN..X..

Yours in Community,

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, on behalf of Submissioners/Constituents boondiboondi Bondi NSW