12 December, 2013

The Deputy Commissioner of Police, Provisioning & Logistics, Old Police Lines, Rajpur Road, Delhi -110054

Sir.

Sub: Application under the Right to Information Act, 2005 dated 12th December, 2013.

This is with reference to a news report in www.medianama.com dated November 11, 2011 wherein it was mentioned that a tender for the establishement of a Central Monitoring Centre was issued by your Office. A copy of the said news report is attached as Annexure-A and a copy of the tender issued is attached as Annexure-B.

Accordingly and apropos of the above:

- I, Shagun Belwal, SFLC.IN, K-9, Second FLoor, Birbal Road, Jangpura Extension, New Delhi-110014, wish to kindly seek the following information:
 - 1. Please provide the list of the names of companies that have made proposals for the tender;
 - Please provide the list of names of the companies that have been selected for the Project;
 - 3. As per the tender, the project has been split into three phases, namely, Phase I (establishment of a Central Monitoring Centre with two Remote Monitoring Centres, which would be connected with three main ISPs, namely, Reliance Communications, Bharti Infotel and BSNL), Phase II (upgradation of the hardware installed at the Central Monitoring Centre and the Remote Monitoring Centres, as well as further connection with next three ISPs, namely MTNL, Sify Ltd. And VSNL); Phase III (Central Monitoring Centre and the two Remote Monitoring Centres will be upgraded again and the last three ISPs will be connected, namely Spectranet, Net4India and Hathway Cables).

 In light of the above, what are the current developments on this project?;
 - 4. As per condition No. 1 of the tender, an entity bidding for the tender must have complete knowledge of the Guidelines issued by the Ministry of Information & Technology for installation/commissioning of the Central Monitoring System. Kindly provide me with a copy of the Guidelines so issued;
 - 5. Have any additional tenders been issued by the Office of Deputy Commisioner of Delhi Police post 2011 for equipments used for monitoring of telephone/internet communication? If so, please provide a copy of those tenders.

If the information herein above is with any other public authority please transfer the

application to such authority within a period of five days [as per Section 6(3) of the Right to Information Act, 2005] and inform me of such transfer and related communication.

I am a 'Citizen' of India and I am requesting for this information as a 'Citizen' of India. I am enclosing one postal order of Rs. 10 dated 12 December, 2013 in the name of Accounts Officer, Office of the Deputy Commissioner of Police, Provisioning & Logistics towards the requisite fee. I am ready to pay any expenses related to making photocopies of documents on intimation of the same.

Yours faithfully,

Shagun Belwal

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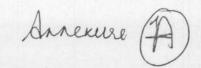
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Delhi Police Floats Internet Interception System Tender

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The Delhi Police wants to intercept emails, chats and social networking messages posted by suspects via their computers as well as through mobile phones. According to a <u>report</u> by The Times of India, the Delhi Police has floated a Global tender for procuring a 'Lawful monitoring of Internet' interception system which would be able to intercept targeted internet communications and would be controlled and run by the Delhi Police.

According to the sender (.doc) floated by the Delhi Police:

- The system should have the feature to intercept all defined and targeted Internet communications based on e-mail ids, Chat ids, IP address, keyword etc.
- It intends to establish one Central Monitoring Centre with two Remote Monitoring Centres: one at Lodhi Colony SpecialCell & one at Chanakya Puri, Crime Branch which would be connected with three main ISPs namely Reliance Communications, Bharti Infotel and BSNL.
- In the second phase, the hardware installed at the Central Monitoring Centre and the two Remote Monitoring Centres will be upgraded and the next three ISPs namely MTNL, Sify Ltd. and VSNL will be connected with Central Monitoring Centre.

- In the third and final phase, the hardware installed at the Central Monitoring Centre and the two Remote Monitoring Centres will be upgraded and the last three ISPs namely Spectranet, Net4India and Hathway Cables will be connected.

Presently the Police gains access to online accounts through the internet service providers and direct interception is only available to investigating agencies such as the NIA and Intelligence Bureau. With the new system, it will be able to intercept electronic communication directly without approaching the ISPs, however, according to another report, the Police will need the approval of the Home Secretary mentioning the reasons for interception before monitoring a particular ID.

National Security is undoubtedly of great importance, however the government and its agencies should not overlook concerns around civil liberty and privacy. The only concern as a citizen would be that interception is not misused and a judicial system that requires a court permission should be in place to prevent misuse, so that interception is in accordance with the law.

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GLOBAL NOTICE FOR "INVITING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST"

Delhi Police intends to purchase of Lawful Monitoring of Internet Interception System. For easy implementation, the project has been split into following three phases:-

<u>Phase I</u>: In phase I, it is proposed to establish one Central Monitoring Centre with two Remote Monitoring Centres i.e. one at Lodhi Colony Spl.Cell & one at Chanakya Puri, Crime Branch which would be connected with three main ISPs namely Reliance Communications, Bharti Infotel and BSNL.

<u>Phase II</u>: In phase II, the hardware installed at the Central Monitoring Centre and the two Remote Monitoring Centres will be upgraded and the next three ISPs namely MTNL, Sify Ltd. and VSNL will be connected with Central Monitoring Centre.

Phase III: In phase III The hardware installed at the Central Monitoring Centre and the two Remote Monitoring Centres are again upgraded and the last three ISPs namely Spectranet, Net4India and Hathway Cables will be connected.

To discuss the proposal as well as other aspects related to implementation of this system, "Expression Of Interest" is hereby called by the undersigned from the manufacturers, reputed authorized dealers, authorized distributors and authorized service providers having sound knowledge/ expertise who have already established such type of systems in any Govt. agency in India or abroad subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The applicant should have complete knowledge regarding instructions/ guidelines issued by the Ministry of Information & Technology for installation/ commissioning of this system by Delhi Police.
- The applicant would be required to give a detailed presentation of the proposed system.
- 3. The proposed system should be in accordance with the laws of the country and all the legal statutes in force at that point of time.
- 4. The applicant would have to submit the requirement of hardware/ software alongwith specifications and the reasons for the same.

5. The system should have the feature to intercept all defined and targeted Internet communications based on e-mail ids, Chat ids, IP address, keyword etc._

"Expression of Interest" is invited from interested manufacturers, reputed authorized dealers, authorized distributors and authorized service providers to purchase "Lawful Monitoring of Internet Interception System" through registered post or these can be put personally in the sealed tender box kept in the reception office of the undersigned located at 5, Rajpur Road, Delhi by 1045 Hrs on 07.12.2011 for further examination by the Technical Evaluation Committee.

(R.K. JHA)
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