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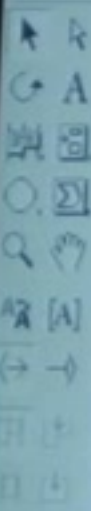
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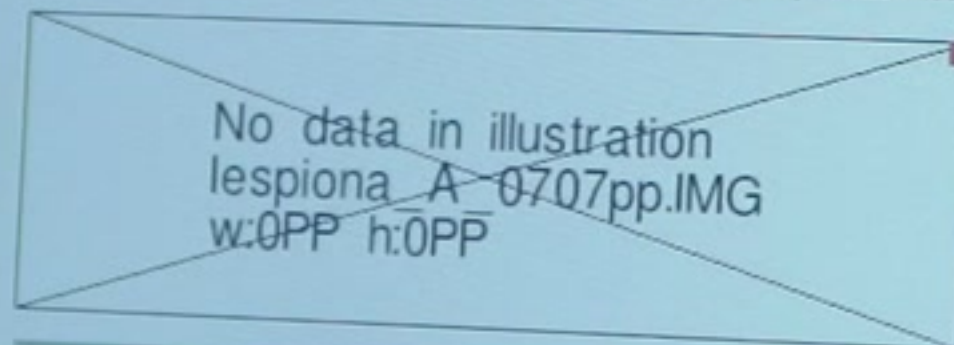


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"The US Spied on Millions of Brazilian Emails and Phone Calls"

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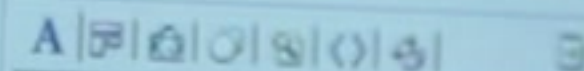
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the current criteria are secret and have not been subject to any public debate. GCHQ's compliance with the certificates is audited by the agency itself, and it is not known whether it has been subjected to any independent scrutiny.

An indication of how broad the dragnet can be was laid bare in advice from GCHQ's lawyers, who said it would be impossible to list the total number of people targeted because "this would be an infinite list which we couldn't manage".

There is an investigatory powers tribunal to look into complaints that the data gathered by GCHQ has been improperly used, but the agency reassured NSA analysts: "So far they have always found in our favour."

Historically, the spy agency intercepted international communications by focusing on microphones and satellites. The NSA's station at Menwith Hill in Yorkshire played a leading role in document quote "Lieutenant General visit to Menwith Hill" "Why can't we find time? Sound for Menwith."

By then, however, the network traffic, mostly on fibre-optic cables, was flowing on the western edge of the Atlantic, a natural access to cables crossing the Atlantic.

As the probe began to gather data, GCHQ set up a three-year trial at the agency's station in Menwith Hill, Cornwall. By the summer of 2007, GCHQ had begun attaching to the cables using a technique called "tapping".

The Foreign Office has been told that the NSA's intercept of communications is not a breach of the Official Secrets Act, but that the NSA's intercept of communications is not a breach of the Official Secrets Act.

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