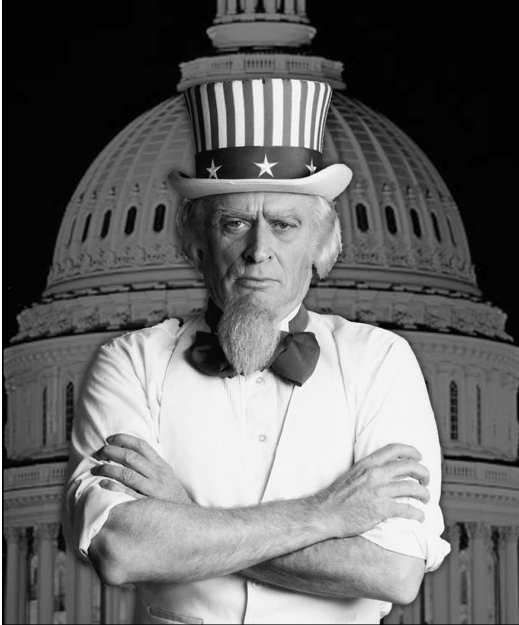


“What the heck is going on here?”



Protecting America from terrorism is one thing.

Letting the FBI and other police agencies invade the privacy of average Americans is something else altogether.

And it's wrong.

Just days after 9/11, Congress passed Attorney General John Ashcroft's USA PATRIOT Act. In its haste, Congress took away basic civil liberties by allowing the government to secretly:

- ▶ **SNEAK** into your home when you're not there, and go through your files, your computer, and other personal belongings;
- ▶ **FORCE** libraries, bookstores, banks, and even your doctor to turn over your personal, medical and financial records;
- ▶ **EXPAND** the definition of terrorism to include the activities of advocacy groups that have nothing to do with the events of 9/11.

Republicans and Democrats now agree that many provisions of the PATRIOT Act went too far.

That's why more than 150 cities and towns across America have passed resolutions rejecting these government policies that violate our basic constitutional rights.

They know what all Americans know: it's time to fix the PATRIOT Act and restore the civil liberties taken away in the aftermath of 9/11.

America—and Americans—can be both safe *and* free. To learn more, go to www.aclu.org/safeandfree

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