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TALES from the CRYPT

"Cryptography is a very political technology" Phil Zimmerman.

Phil Zimmerman, the man who designed PGP, Pretty Good Privacy, an envelope for electronic-mail.. is now in hot water with Federal Agents in the U.S.A.. He is accused of deliberately exporting PGP, a software program designed to allow computer users a way of encrypting information so that it remains private.

"Tales from the Crypt" tells why he may get 4 years in jail and why privacy and civil liberty debates have become key issues boiling over in America today!! Decode and understand the mechanisms of secret codes. In digital hands, cryptography has become the weapon of citizens, locking out the prying eyes of the State and spook agencies.

The American government, aware of the power of cryptography, is fighting back. It's retaliation .."the Clipper Chip", a proposed device to be implanted in every phone and fax, it sports an insidious surveillance "backdoor". Who will win the privacy war? Law enforcement agencies or us? Will it be control or chaos?

Meet Professor Dorothy Denning, David Banisar and others from the US as they debate the implications of Clipper. Decipher the Australian connection with Professor Jennifer Seberry, Roger Clarke, Bill Caelli and more.

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