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Dear Sir / Madam

**Australian Law Reform Commission discussion paper, *Serious invasions of privacy in the digital era***

Thank you for your invitation to the South Australian Law Reform Institute (SALRI) to provide a response to the above discussion paper. As SALRI has not completed its own review, SALRI is not in a position to provide a detailed response to the various questions asked, but notes the following.

SALRI supports the need to review privacy protection across Australia. SALRI agrees with the Australian Law Reform Commission, the New South Wales Law Reform Commission and the Victorian Law Reform Commission in their recent reports on the topic, that a consistent regime across Australia would be ideal in terms of effective privacy protection.

Should SALRI form the view that a cause of action is warranted, there is still scope for a local statute to provide protection in South Australia against unacceptable invasions of personal privacy.

SALRI looks forward to receiving a copy of the ALRC's report on this issue, which we hope will also inform SALRI's Final Report. Should the ALRC wish to comment on aspects of SALRI's Issues Paper, any contribution would be most welcome.

Please feel free to contact SALRI on 08 8313 5582 or [salri@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:salri@adelaide.edu.au) should you wish to discuss further the parallels between our two inquiries.

Kind regards



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