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Q1:

Q2:

The primary objectives should be about providing purely informative classifications for consumers. Classifications should not be used to restrict the Australian public from accessing any desired material, except where possession of such material is illegal. This should include:

\* Child pornography - But only real child pornography where actual children were harmed in production. Cartoon depictions of child-like characters should not be illegal, despite that absurd NSW court ruling that found The Simpson's character porn to be illegal, nor the other case in SA where "small breasted women" were 'reasonably' deemed to look under the age of consent. States should not be able to impose such ridiculous and overly conservative restrictions.

\* Depictions of bestiality - Only where actual harm to animals occurs in the production of the material.

\* Detailed instruction in crime, violence or drug use, and/or material that advocates the doing of a terrorist act.

The above list was based on the existing types of prohibited content, with annotations where I think modifications should be made. I excluded "material containing excessive violence or sexual violence" because violent material should be rated appropriately for adults, but should not be considered prohibited.

Q3:

Material obtained over the internet should not need to be classified by a review board because of its international nature and infeasibility of classifying all online content. Material obtained from App Stores online, where the retailer operates within Australia, should be subject to self regulation, except where an explicit official complaint has been filed against a specific item.

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Yes. See answer to Q3.

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Parental observation and monitoring only, possibly with strictly optional opt-in filtering provided on request. However, I do not believe it is worth the cost to the Australia tax payers to pay for such a

system. ISPs should be allowed to provide such opt-in filtering if they like, so long as they don't make it mandatory. The mandatory filter being implemented by Telstra and Optus should be stopped.

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It doesn't need to be better controlled.

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Only when sold or displayed in public places. This excludes internet purchases, where such classification should be self regulated and voluntary.

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No filtering mechanism should be implemented for online content. Distributors of illegal content should be targeted directly, rather than making costly and futile attempts to intercept network requests for such content.

DO NOT listen to overly conservative Christian groups, like the Australian Christian Lobby or Family First, who are pushing for mandatory filtering. They DO NOT represent most Australians. They MUST NOT be allowed to force their religious beliefs and practices upon everyone else. Australia must maintain a separation of church and state (§116 Australian Constitution), and we must not let religion influence our laws.

Q25:

No. Computer games currently don't have an 18+ rating, and so they are unfairly restricted. All material that is subject to classification should have exactly the same levels of classification and should not be unfairly prohibited.

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Other comments: