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## The cost of anonymity

Who gets the oil is of course one of the main points of interest in the battle for Libya, but who gets control of the data flow will also be key in defining the post-Gaddafi era. Just ask Boris Vostrý of Harvard Capital how important the StB files were in determining the biggest winners of the Velvet Revolution. Paranoid Czechs who are already preparing for the next revolution and don't want to turn over their personal data to the future Vostrý's will be in a quandary in the coming days. They will be required by law to return a 2011 census form that pries into all areas of their life, and they will need to decide whether to trust the assurances that so much information in one place is "protected by applicable laws." For some rich people, the Kč 10,000 fine for noncompliance might be an acceptable cost of anonymity, just like the fees they pay for offshore companies. But what if they then end up on a special list of noncompliers, which turns out to be even more dangerous than if they had just filled out the census form in the first place?



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