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## ACTA means authoritarian

"Think!... It ain't illegal yet," sang Funkadelic on *One Nation under a Groove*. The international internet community certainly isn't in a groove now that Big Bad Business wants to clamp down on file sharing, file ripping and even file carrying. The [Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement](#) is very similar to the indefinite-detention act signed by Barack Obama in the sense that both allow the government unprecedented powers to crack down. Officials in both cases are promising not to take full advantage of the powers, but the risk is in the way such laws make it possible to detain anyone who has become uncomfortable to the regime. Listening to foreign broadcasts was illegal during the war, but the Nazis mainly used the law to dispense with Czechs who were troublesome in some other way. ACTA is another example of the dictatorial tendencies sweeping the West. Anyone with a thinking mind is a potential target.

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