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Restore The Fourth’s Statement on DAS, Massive Government Surveillance of Phone Records

“Stop opposing meaningful FISA reform and support the Government Surveillance Reform Act.”

[November 21st 2023] — [Restore the Fourth](#), a civil liberties advocacy group working towards the end of mass government surveillance, joins its coalition partners in condemning Data Analytical Services (DAS), a surveillance program that allows every level of law enforcement to access trillions of Americans’ phone records without a warrant, according to a bombshell [report from WIRED](#). DAS, formerly known as “Hemisphere,” enables law enforcement agents to retrieve geolocation information and the calling records (not recordings of the calls) of targeted persons and those they have communicated with without a warrant or court order. It casts a wider dragnet than the [telephone metadata program](#) operated by the NSA, the program exposed to the American public by Edward Snowden in 2013.

The White House should immediately stop opposing meaningful FISA reform, and Congress should move quickly to pass the bipartisan [Government Surveillance Reform Act \(GSRA\)](#). Its provisions would prevent future programs like DAS from warrantlessly surveilling millions of Americans communications. To restore the Fourth Amendment, we say
#FISAREform now!

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