In an increasingly digital world, we’re lucky ORG is so committed to preserving our civil liberties and protecting our rights.

Neil Gaiman, author and screenwriter

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Lawrence Lessig, Creative Commons CEO

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Cory Doctorow, Boing Boing

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Politicians and the media don’t always understand new technologies, but comment and legislate anyway. The result can be ill-informed journalism and dangerous laws.

The Open Rights Group is a grassroots technology organisation which exists to protect civil liberties wherever they are threatened by the poor implementation and regulation of digital technology. We call these rights our “digital rights”.

In 2005, a community of 1,000 digital rights enthusiasts came together to create the Open Rights Group. Since then, ORG has spoken out on copyright term extension, DRM and the introduction of electronic voting in the UK.

We have informed the debate on data protection, freedom of information, data retention and the surveillance state.

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- **e-Voting**: Thanks to a six-month ORG campaign, the Electoral Commission have called for a halt to e-voting pilots in the UK.

- **Freedom of Information**: Thanks to submissions from ORG and others, the Ministry of Justice have reversed plans to restrict the UK’s Freedom of Information laws.

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