

## Re: DoubleR Discount

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<n4mwd.dont.spam.me@amsat.org> wrote in message  
news:41f2d23a.380495@newsgroups.bellsouth.net...  
> "Tony" <[News@somewhere.com](mailto:News@somewhere.com)> wrote:  
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>> *Don't see what's wrong with notes myself.*  
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> *Its easier for the .gov to track what you are up to when everything is  
> done electronically. That's why they are pushing people to electronic  
> transactions.*  
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I read that as being a bit paranoid :-! In our case, I can't see the government pushing for things like this – its the card companies and the retailers. The retailers like the idea of everyone using cards – whether its auto debiting accounts or just debiting the cash store on the card – as it costs them a lot of money to handle the cash, more so than paying a commission on card transactions. We are always asked if we want cashback on a transaction – pay for the goods and then the retailer gives us cash too. The less paper/coins they have to bank, the cheaper it is for them – they get a derisable discount on their commission paid and have less cash to bank.

I take your point a little bit though – when I lived in Oz, I had some large sums flying back and forth from the UK and Oz and was asked why by the revenue services in the UK – I've also been asked by our customs and excise service why I've had large amounts sitting in UK current accounts. I didn't see anything sinister in either of these situations – they are chasing possible tax evasions.

To go back on topic, I am glad to see companies such as this receiving the press it sounds they deserve – one thing usenet is good at.

Tony