

# Re: Analog Hole Bill Would Require Secret Tech No One Can Examine

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> >> No private entity has managed to crack PCS or GSM encryption... or if  
> >> they have, they've kept it damned quiet.  
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> There is no encryption there to crack.

Actually there is.

GSM even supports five levels of privacy up to "hard" crypto "ab factory"  
but because the country that never learns – Germany – wanted to be able to  
listen in on DDR spys blathering on the mobiles, the encryption algorithm is  
deliberately weak and easily cracked.

Why is this Bad. Stupid and very German??

Because the \*legitimate\* users of interception, the kind that uses court  
orders and/or have the law of the land with them, already have a "lawful  
interception interface" designed & ready for them in the exchange so the  
supposed benefit of the weak crypto befalls to criminals and of course  
people spying for the DDR (now embodied the EU human rights office under  
Beate Winkler).

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