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Tommy,

You make a good point about there being information that the government is unable to regulate. While I agree that it *should* be the responsibility of markets, businesses, groups and individuals to both regulate themselves and work in cooperation with the government, I think it's unlikely that that will happen. Businesses especially are money motivated and some even try to get around the existing rules. For example, a few months ago Amazon admitted to holding on to data collected by Alexa even after users chose to erase those recordings from their accounts, which was something they had not told their users. In cases like these, there needs to be restriction, because we can't always expect businesses or individuals to cooperate with the government and act morally.

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The relationships between markets, businesses, and individuals has been changing as our relationship with technology changes. The world has become more globalized, states now have less power than they used to, and our world is experiencing intelligification.

One of the effects discussed in our reading is a potential loss of privacy. Google Glass is a new type of technology that could allow people to access information about anyone they see based on facial recognition. Given that we live in a capitalistic society, it makes sense that Google will use this technology in a way that will make them money, which could lead to them exploiting their users.

I think that in order to minimize this loss of privacy, corporations that are producing technology that has that capability should be limited in what lengths they can go. For example, they could be limited in what kinds of information they're allowed to store or be required to have a simple process for people opt out if they don't want strangers to be able to look up their information. I know that some sites that store very personal information, like Spokeo, already have a way of opting out, but most of these sites aren't very clear about how to do it and make the process more complicated than it needs to be.

One hundred years ago, these kinds of restrictions on businesses weren't necessary. Without this level of technology, there were fewer ways for a corporation to take advantage of individual users. However, our relationship with technology has changed to the point that it's affected how we engage with the world itself. The state is no longer the main source of information; instead,

individuals can look anything they want up on the internet. This means that corporations have many ways to influence potential customers other than billboards, radio advertisements, and packaging, and could have even more influence than other individuals or their government. Targeted ads, for example, involve storing large amounts of user data just to market products more efficiently. Because of this, I think there should be more restriction on the market in terms of the privacy of individuals and how businesses can interact with them.

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