

Australia Goes Fully Lunatic

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The government of South Australia is running a trial for a system that could eventually force citizens to take a photo of themselves via a government app to report their location on demand within 15 minutes of authorities requesting it, or face a police investigation.



Yes, really.

The revelation was highlighted in an Atlantic [piece](#) by Conor Friedersdorf which questions whether Australia can still call itself a liberal democracy in light of the crippling restrictions it has placed on its own population.

With no end in sight for the lifting of the country's brutal lockdown, Aussies could face even more invasive state intrusion into their private lives under the justification of stopping the spread of the virus.

The South Australian government is preparing to roll out an app that “will contact people at random asking them to provide proof of their location within 15 minutes,” according to [reports](#).

If people refuse to report their location or are unable to do so, police are then dispatched to hunt them down.

“We don’t tell them how often or when, on a random basis they have to reply within 15 minutes,”said Premier Steven Marshall.

This is barely much different from literally fitting people with electronic ankle bracelets that track their every movement like prisoners under home arrest, a policy that was actually considered by Australian authorities earlier this year.

From the [The Atlantic](#):

Intrastate travel within Australia is also [severely restricted](#). And the government of South Australia, one of the country's six states, developed and is now testing an app as Orwellian as any in the free world to enforce its quarantine rules. People in South Australia will be forced to download an app that combines facial recognition and geolocation. The state will text them at random times, and thereafter they will have 15 minutes to take a picture of their face in the location where they are supposed to be. Should they fail, the local police department will be sent to follow up in person. "We don't tell them how often or when, on a random basis they have to reply within 15 minutes," Premier Steven Marshall [explained](#). "I think every South Australian should feel pretty proud that we are the national pilot for the home-based quarantine app."

. ***"No matter your views of COVID, what's happening in Australia is alarming, extreme and dangerous,"*** remarked journalist Glenn Greenwald.

As we have exhaustively highlighted, Australia has enforced one of the most draconian lockdowns in the world in an effort to pursue a disastrous 'zero COVID' strategy.

Last month, the Premier of Victoria [asserted](#) that **authorities "won't hesitate" to go "door-to-door"** to carry out mandatory COVID tests on Australians.

Aussies were also ordered not to talk to each other, even while wearing masks, while people who merely post anti-lockdown information online could also face fines of up to \$11,000 dollars under an absurdly authoritarian new law.