

# *Edward Snowden Documents Show New Zealand Spying on Pacific Nations for NSA*

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London, March 7 (RHC)-- Newly-revealed documents from Edward Snowden have shown New Zealand is vacuuming up communications across the Asia-Pacific region and sharing them with the National Security Agency in the United States.

Reports published by The Intercept in collaboration with the New Zealand Herald and journalist Nicky Hager describe how New Zealand's digital spy agency collects data from island nations with whom it has friendly ties, such as Tuvalu, Nauru, Samoa, the Solomon Islands and Fiji.

The spying reportedly includes monitoring of government officials and NGOs in the South Pacific countries. New Zealand shares the data through the NSA system XKEYSCORE, a search engine-like tool which lets the NSA monitor nearly every type of on-line activity.



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