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New Zealand Liaison Contribution to JTC 1 Study Group on DCMP

The New Zealand State Services Commission issued Trusted Computing (TC) and Digital Rights Management (DRM) *Principles & Policies* in September 2006 and *Standards & Guidelines* in July 2007. Archives New Zealand chairs the TC / DRM Working Group which is responsible for maintaining the TC / DRM Standards and Guidelines. The Working Group provides advice on implementing the Standards and Guidelines within public sector agencies.

The *Principles & Policies* were written with the intention of universal applicability – that is to be relevant in overseas jurisdictions as well as in New Zealand. It is with this in mind that we present the *Principles & Policies* and *Standards & Guidelines* to the Study Group on Digital Content Management and Protection. We recommend that these documents be considered a suitable basis for an international standard.

New Zealand's interest in Digital Rights Management stems partly from an interest in recordkeeping, information management and the on-going preservation and access to digital records. There can be special issues for governments implementing TC / DRM technologies because of their responsibilities under legislation which mandates the creation, maintenance and archiving of information. For this reason, the recommendations within the *Principles & Policies* and *Standards & Guidelines* are largely, but not exclusively, targeted to government agencies. Private sector organisations will in most cases have similar, if not legislated, responsibilities.

New Zealand recommends that government agencies consider the potential hazards to privacy and the long-term maintenance of official government records that may result from ill-considered implementation of these technologies. Collaboration with other governments in engaging with the vendor community may be the most effective way of responding to those potential hazards.

Publications

The E-Government web site is home to the *Policies & Principles*

<http://www.e.govt.nz/policy/tc-and-drm/principles-policies-06>

The *Standards & Guidelines* can be found here

<http://www.e.govt.nz/policy/tc-and-drm/standards-guidelines-07>