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United States Senate

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Senate Judiciary Committee

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Senate Judiciary Committee

Minority Leader Harry Reid  
United States Senate

Chairman Richard Burr  
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Vice Chairman Dianne Feinstein  
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Dear Senators,

We, the undersigned, write in strong opposition to S. 1357, which would extend expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act through July 31, 2015.

Section 215 of the USA PATRIOT Act is statutorily set to sunset on June 1, 2015. Congress established this sunset on May 26, 2011 in order to facilitate review of the statute and any programs purportedly authorized pursuant to the statute.

While June 1, 2015 is quickly approaching, the deadline is not a surprise. We urge you to oppose bringing up this measure for a vote, or to vote against any such measure that extends expiring provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act in their current form.

Sincerely,

Access	Demand Progress
American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC)	Electronic Frontier Foundation
American Association of Law Libraries	Fight for the Future
American Booksellers for Free Expression	Freedom of the Press Foundation
American Civil Liberties Union	Free Press Action Fund
American Library Association	Government Accountability Project
Association of Research Libraries	Internet Archive
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Center for Democracy and Technology	New America's Open Technology Institute
Center for National Security Studies	Niskanen Center
The Constitution Project	OpenTheGovernment.org
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