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A Key Conflict
in the Information Society

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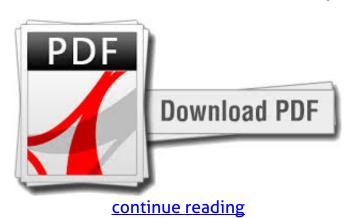*Eindhoven University of Technology*

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Cryptography is essential for information security and electronic commerce, yet it is also abused by criminals to thwart law enforcement wiretaps and computer queries. This is not another research of the crypto controversy to conclude that or that curiosity is paramount. Will they require people to deposit crypto keys with a `trusted' agent? Can governments outlaw cryptography that will not provide for law-enforcement access? How should governments address this conflict of passions? The Crypto Controversy will pay focus on the reasoning of both personal privacy activists and law-enforcement organizations, to the particulars of technology and also of rules, to `solutions' offered both by cryptographers and by governments. The Crypto Controversy is usually neither a cryptography handbook nor a publication drenched in legal jargon. This is not a report commissioned by a federal government, nor is it a written report that promotions on the digital frontier. Koops proposes a strategy to balance the conflicting passions and applies this to the Dutch situation, explaining both specialized and legal issues for anyone thinking about the subject.

Not 5 stars because ideal doesn't exist in Universe It's like Bert-Jaap Koops have been reading in the deep of my thoughts, getting them and blending up to create his reserve. Just one single consideration (maybe I'm as well critic): in John Rawls theory, balance is like a component of human character (to be very easy), in real life people will probably need to fight to get this. Not technical at all, totally for all.Nevertheless this book is a real very good job.) Mr John Rawls to create a cultural and political framework around crypto policies. I'm not a Rawls' fan, nonetheless it makes sense if we consider the author's starting point, separating Rawls' theory and practical applications.Finally the true crypto controversy: power to citizens or even to governments? The answer: balance between your parties (very similar to Rawls' balance

between classes).Easy reading is the main pro of this work. I'm getting a level in philosophy and I really appreciated the author's make an effort to involve, (real a hard try!

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