**Digital Citizenship and Surveillance Society: UK State-Media-Citizen Relations After the Snowden Leaks**

**Civil Society Stream – Research Design – Activists**

1. Introduction

Gola of the interviews: to investigate the impact of the Snowden leaks on political activism and advocacy

Interviewees (critical of the state or revealed as targeted in Snowden leaks):

* 1. Greenpeace
  2. TUC
  3. Stop the War Coalition
  4. Amnesty International
  5. Human Rights Watch
  6. Global Justice Now
  7. No Dash for Gas
  8. Muslim Council of Britain
  9. Campaign Against Arms Trade
  10. CAGE

Sample will also include a range of further grassroots activists outside the NGO/’Third Sector’ based on existing networks of contacts.

1. Interview guide (note: these will be semi-structured)

* Are you happy for the interview to be recorded?
* When it comes to referencing a quote are you happy for me to attribute that directly or how would you like to be attributed?
* If at any time you want information to remain anonymous please let this be known and the recording will be stopped.
* Could you tell me your name, and what it is you and your organisation does?

1. Understanding and Experience of Surveillance

* What does the term surveillance mean to you?
* What constitutes surveillance?
* What kind of experiences have you had with state surveillance?
  + Could you give me any specific examples?
* What are any other examples of surveillance you are aware of?
* Would you consider the collection of online data surveillance?
* What does the term metadata mean to you?

1. Knowledge on Snowden

* What have you heard about Edward Snowden revelations?
* Where did you get this information from?
* What are your views on what Edward Snowden did?
* What are your views on the media coverage on surveillance?

1. Opinion

* What are your thoughts on the kind of surveillance the state undertakes?
* Under what circumstances do you feel that surveillance is acceptable?
* Do you distinguish between surveillance of foreign and domestic subjects in this regard?
* Where do you see the balance between privacy and national security when it comes to surveillance?

1. Behaviour

* How would you explain your online activity? What do you use digital communications for?
* What kinds of digital devices and online platforms do you use?
* How worried are you about your online/digital security and data?
* What aspect of online/digital privacy concern you most?
* How have the Snowden revelations impacted on how you carry out your work?
* How has your online behaviour been altered since the Snowden revelations? (any concrete changes?) Are you conscious of any limits on your activity? (Do you feel that the Snowden revelations have led to a ‘chilling effect’ in political activism?)

1. Counter Surveillance

* As part of your work, how important do you think it is to react and respond to surveillance? Do you see this to be within your remit?
* Have you implemented any changes, such as using encryption tools, to react to surveillance? (tools, advocacy etc.) If not, why not? Are you aware of any encryption tools?
* What is your relationship with the tech community and digital rights groups that are active in this area?

1. Is there anything else you would like to add?