Oppressive Contact Tracing in South Korea

At the end of the COVID-19 crisis, I want to still to be living in a constitutional Republic. So I’m going to use South Korea to show you how contact tracing works in a country without constitutional freedoms.

According to a presentation by an epidemiologist here’s what happens in South Korea. Once a person is diagnosed, the police confiscate the individual’s phone to check out where the person has been for the last five days. The country’s banking authority then reviews the person’s credit card purchases to see where the person has been, and then a picture of the person is sent through the South Korean surveillance camera system to see exactly where the person has been and with whom.

Let’s make sure we’re not moving America toward these kinds of surveillance and control systems.

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