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A just, remarkable initiative.

HOWEVER:

Irrespectively of the encryption offered by device makers, LEAs and SECURITY AGENCIES CAN use Offensive Security technologies to ACCESS THE DATA they need IN CLEARTEXT, BEFORE it gets encrypted by the device and sent to the network and AFTER it is received from the network and decrypted by the device itself. Actually, THIS IS precisely WHAT WE DO.

"Last year, **FBI director James Comey warned that the growing use of encryption to protect privacy could make it harder for law enforcement to solve homicides or find victims of child exploitation. "The post-Snowden pendulum has swung too far in one direction,"** he said. "

Have a great weekend, gents.

From the FT, FYI,
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