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Peralta, Chair of the Consumer Protection Committee Calls for hearings to investigate on-line computer privacy breaches

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The recent discovery that Google has been reaching into unprotected Wi-Fi networks in homes and businesses in more than 30 countries and retaining data about people's online activities, highlights the fact that consumers are left unprotected and many times do not know who is tracking their on-line activity. Peralta said "The latest Google inquiry highlights the fact that consumers are still unprotected when it comes to their online activity. We cannot allow companies like Google to go unchecked while they gather private information and track activity." He continued "We need to know what these companies are doing with the information they are amassing and more importantly if they are notifying consumers that they are collecting sensitive information."