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I am most concerned by spam, Unsolicited Bulk E-mail. I believe we need stronger legislation to encourage ISPs to do more to keep it out of the Internet; else, the Internet will become unusable to the loss of us all.

I set up a new e-mail address which I used to enrol on a trade show. That address was then part of my details and so obtained by some of the exhibitors. Some months later, before I had used the address for anything else, I started to receive spam on that address and now, a year later, I get 50 items a day; pornography, bootleg software, financial offers, a list of 10M e-mail addresses for 25 dollars, stock 'tips', access to confidential material, all sorts. Someone at that show has sold on my address to one of those e-mail lists and the address is now effectively unusable. Somewhere along this road, something should be illegal so ISPs prevent it from happening.