

# The Pledge

I, ..... made the following pledge on     /     /

as witnessed by .....(Name) .....(Signed)

I solemnly and publicly promise that:

- I shall not register for a national Identity Card.
- I shall not supply personal details or fingerprints to a National Identity Register.
- I shall not apply for any document or service if joining the National Identity Register is a condition of obtaining it.
- I shall not co-operate with any Identity and Passport Service interview concerning my identity.

I also promise by my advice and example to encourage others to do the same.

Signed, .....



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## What you can do to stop ID cards and the database state

The government thinks it is being clever. It will be registering people on the ID cards database when they apply for a passport or other official documents. You may have heard that ID card is “voluntary”, but once your details are entered onto the ‘National Identity Register’ database they are there for life.

It is not just about a card. Once the details of your life are captured the government will be sharing them with and between an ever growing list of agencies and building an ever more detailed picture of your life. The HMRC disaster with child benefit records has shown just how dangerous that can be.

Millions of people now know that having their identity “managed” by the government is a bad idea. In just four weeks in 2005, more than 10,000 people pledged online to refuse to register for an ID card. You may have seen public figures declaring that they will go to prison rather than be registered.

The NO2ID Pledge is your opportunity to make a personal and public declaration that you will refuse to comply with government control of your identity. Keeping this promise means you avoid registration on the National Identity Register. It is a serious commitment. Though at the moment there is little to resist, the government is going to try and make life gradually more inconvenient if you don’t comply “willingly”. But with tens of thousands of others making the same declaration, life could get pretty inconvenient for the government too.

*It is currently perfectly lawful to declare that you will not comply with the ID scheme.* It is possible that refusal could be made a crime, but the government has shied away from that so far. If enough people say no, it will be impossible. There would not be enough courts to prosecute 100,000 resisters, let alone millions. Together, now, we can build a wedge of opposition that will jam the wheels of the ID scheme, and protect the personal privacy of everyone in the country.

The more people who commit themselves to resist, the more effective it is. Say no to ID and it becomes more difficult to put pressure on you and everyone else. Get your friends to pledge too, and everyone protects one another. If you say no, then ID cards will fail.

### Making the NO2ID pledge

Simply take a printed copy of the pledge. Write your name clearly in the space provided on the first line, and add the date where indicated at the end of the line. (You might want to read it out loud.)

Your witness – who could be anyone that you know, a friend, member of your family or NO2ID supporter – should add his or her name in full on the line below, and sign alongside it in the space marked (Signed).

When you sign on the dotted line at the bottom of the page, you have made The NO2ID Pledge. Make sure you let everyone know that you are standing up for what you believe.

### About NO2ID

NO2ID is a UK-wide campaign founded in 2004 to stop ID cards and the database state. We are not a political party. We are supported by over 100 organisations (including parties across the whole political spectrum, unions, councils, privacy and civil liberties groups), and around 40,000 private individuals

Our London office and network of local groups across the country are run by volunteers and supported mainly by subscriptions and donations. We are growing. But we need your help, too.

Please join the campaign or make a donation. (Cheques payable to ‘NO2ID’) More information is available at [www.NO2ID.net](http://www.NO2ID.net) or by writing to our office:

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