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Query regarding internet censorship in Pakistan

Dear Sir/Madam

I have a number of queries:

1. I would like to inquire about the legality of internet censorship in Pakistan, especially legality of censorship of non-pornographic websites.
2. Who decides which websites may or may not be viewed and accessed by citizens of Pakistan, from within the territory of Pakistan?
3. Who maintains, adds, removes and amends, the said list of website being blocked and censored in Pakistan?
4. Does this censorship violate the fundamental human rights of Pakistanis, as enshrined by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Constitution of Pakistan, and the Laws of Pakistan, especially the clauses, articles and provisions relevant to freedom of speech, expression and choice.
5. Whether using proxy servers to circumvent the censorship, if the censorship itself is legal, is breach of the law?

This request/query may be considered an exercise of my fundamental Right to Information under Article 19A of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan 1973 and the Freedom of Information Act 2002.

Thank you

Yours sincerely

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