
HK: Give us passwords

US citizens traveling to Hong Kong are being warned that refusal to hand over passwords or access to their personal devices is now a criminal offense.

The US Consulate General in Hong Kong and Macao issued a warning that the Hong Kong government has changed the rules relating to the National Security Law on March 23.

The change applies to everyone in Hong Kong, including residents, visitors and travelers transiting through the airport.

The new rule makes it illegal to refuse police requests for passwords or assistance in gaining access to personal electronics.

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