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## Banking Data: A Mea Culp

Since the job of public edita journalists, there's a specia

My July 2 column strongly

banking-data surveillance were reasons to publish the gave too little emphasis. W published.

Those two factors are really program in the United Stat misused. I had mentioned but that reference was rele

The source of the data, as r Telecommunication, or Sw subpoenas from the Ameri

I haven't found any evident United States laws. Althous secret program violated the Data-protection rules are of friction.

Also, there still haven't bee continued to function. Tha when The Times and two o catch any abuses in the abs think, however, that I gave