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1. There Is No Threat To Freedom Of Speech,
Philip Ruddock, SMH, 2005-11-14The [new sedition laws](#) are a work in progress and the Government is open to debate on their final form. The Government is seeking to codify the main provisions and modernise the existing offence of sedition by removing outdated terminology.
2. Sedition Law Should Be Made Redundant,
Ian Barker, SMH, 2005-11-14Australia has not needed a [law against sedition](#) since at least 1949, and there is no need for one now. There is a significant difference in the proposed law of sedition when compared with the existing law.
3. Hottest Year On Record Tipped,
AAP, AGE, 2005-11-14The Bureau of Meteorology says the months from January to October were the warmest since monthly records began in 1950. "This really emphasises how pervasive [global warming](#) actually is", said Dr David Jones, head of climate analysis at the National Climate

Centre.

4. Getting Heads Together On Use Of Spy Cameras,
Rachel Lebihan, AFR, 2005-11-11 National draft standards for the use of [closed-circuit television cameras](#)* have been issued, as government and industry tightened their response to the threat of terrorism.* subscription required
Of related interest: An overview of the effectiveness of closed circuit television (CCTV) surveillance, Research Note, Department of Parliamentary Services, 28 Oct. 2005 <http://www.aph.gov.au/library/pubs/RN/2005-06/06rn14.pdf>
The draft standards are available for public comment until 10 December 2005
Part 1: Management and Operation Code of Practice <http://www.standards.org.au/downloads/AS4806-1.pdf>
Part 2: Application Guidelines <http://www.standards.org.au/downloads/AS4806-1.pdf>
Part 3: PAL Signal Timings and Levels: <http://www.standards.org.au/downloads/AS4806-3.pdf>
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