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Subject: Re: "Human rights" concept in URGENT need of refinement and redefinition

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I think I understand your point, but I don't think you said it very clearly. You sound like you want a government operated emo-hotline that you can call whenever your feelings get hurt.

To be honest, I don't agree with more government regulation. The reason why the government is there is to first and foremost give the masses a voice and secondly, allow a country to function in the presence of the rest of the world.

The government shouldn't be a counseling office for the feelings of the people. The people control the government, not the other way around.

People elect politicians to represent them, not control them. They might have power to move the country, but they don't have the power (or authority) to tell you what you should be doing.

One thing that I really don't like at the moment is the TSA that is regulating passengers on flights. I can understand wanting to protect citizens from hijackings and mid-air violence... but at what expense? They are already stripping many rights from people just to enter the airport! It is their job to protect us from harm, but not at the expense of constitutional and human rights! So what if it makes their job easier? That is none of our concern. And, to top it all off, there has been statistically no change in attempts at violence in planes from now since PRIOR to 9/11! That means all their regulations and safty procedures have been for nothing!

But that is all besides the point.

If I'm to understand you correctly, you think there should be some number you can call that you can use to ask questions about the way you are treated? Basically, if you think you're rights are being violated some way, you can call and explain the situation to someone who would then either confirm or deny your suspicions?

While something like that would be hard to manage, it wouldn't necessarily be a bad idea. If you think your rights are bring violated and it turns out they are, you then have leverage to act on it leagally. However, this should NOT be run by the government. It should have legal leverage, but it should be a public organization. We can't rely on the government to do every important thing in the country. People need to learn to work with eachother to get their problems sorted out rather than crying to the government about how someone called you a poopyhead.

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