

## Google - another country

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The Guardian seems to have noted the theme on this blog suggesting that multinational corporations wish to float free from the constraints of government. So has Google. [As the Guardian have noted](#):

*A week or so ago, Google's chief executive, [Larry Page](#), caused ripples when [he suggested](#) at a public event that laws older than 50 years or so shouldn't apply to internet companies, and that it might be fun to have an island where Google could dabble in new ideas without all the silly meddling of governments. (That's only a slight paraphrase.) The only way he could have seemed more like a Bond villain would be if he had been stroking a cat while speaking.*

Certainly [Eric Schmidt, Google's chair] must tut and sigh when he hears Page talk about ignoring laws and creating fiefdoms but, when he was asked about capitalism, he replied: "Of course, Google is a capitalist country ..." Laughter. "Company," he said, uncomfortably. A slip of the tongue? Perhaps the truth is out. Perhaps Larry Page's island isn't so far off after all. One has to wonder — how soon can one move there, and what will the tax rate be?

Freudian indeed.