

A Russian journalist believes the level of surveillance is worse in 'Big Brother Britain' than it was in Russia during the Soviet era.

Irada Zeinalova, who is based in London, said she felt she was being constantly spied on by security cameras.

She highlighted how in the UK the level of monitoring is such that even rubbish bins have computer chips fitted so councils can check what householders are throwing out.

'Security has got absurd,' she said. 'I don't like that level of intrusion into my private life.

'London is a Big Brother city. It is all watched by cameras. Even in the days of the USSR you couldn't imagine such a number of cameras or observers. Your moves are even monitored by your bus tickets. There are CCTV cameras on every building and computer chips on the rubbish bins.

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