It’s hard to imagine a time before the Internet, particularly considering the nearly three billion people who use it. And though its presence seems ubiquitous today, the future of the open Internet we enjoy today isn’t guaranteed.

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