



# ANNOUNCEMENT

from the Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20559

## EXTENSION OF FINAL COMMENT PERIOD

### REPORT OF THE REGISTER OF COPYRIGHTS ON THE EFFECTS OF 17 U.S.C 108 ON THE RIGHTS OF CREATORS AND THE NEEDS OF USERS OF WORKS REPRODUCED BY CERTAIN LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVES; FINAL COMMENT PERIOD

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#### LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

#### Copyright Office

[Docket No. LPR 80-6]

#### Report of the Register of Copyrights on the Effects of 17 U.S.C. 108 on the Rights of Creators and the Needs of Users of Works Reproduced by Certain Libraries and Archives; Final Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Library of Congress, Copyright Office.

**ACTION:** Extension of final comment period.

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The Copyright Office of the Library of Congress is preparing a report for Congress in accordance with 17 U.S.C. 108(i). The subject of the report is the extent to which 17 U.S.C. 108 has achieved the intended balance between the rights of creators and the needs of users of copyrighted works which are reproduced by certain libraries and archives. Five regional public hearings have been held to elicit views, comments, and information from all interested persons, including authors, copyright proprietors, libraries, and users of all types of libraries. On May 26, 1982, the Copyright Office published a final notice in 47 FR 23061 announcing that the Office requested final written comments by July 15, 1982 from organizations and individuals whose informed opinions may contribute to the

preparation of that report.

The Office also announced the availability of, and invited written comment by July 15, 1982 on, the report of library photocopying prepared by King Research, Inc. under contract to the Library of Congress.

Supplementary information concerning the 17 U.S.C., section 108(i) report appeared in a prior notice at pages 79202 through 79204 of the Federal Register for November 28, 1980 (45 FR, No. 231).

By letter of June 4, 1982, the American Library Association has requested a one-month extension of the comment period to allow full consultation within the library community before comments are submitted on the King Report. The delay, it is asserted, would enable all parties to analyze the King Report more carefully and lead to more thoughtful responses that would strengthen the Copyright Office report to Congress.

The Copyright Office has a statutory deadline of January 1, 1983 for submission of the report to Congress, and the magnitude of the task before us militates against any delay in receiving comments, if they are to be given full consideration by us. For this reason, the Office cannot accede fully to the request of the American Library Association. However, to facilitate the submission of informed views, the Office hereby announces an extension to August 2, 1982 of the final comment period concerning the 17 U.S.C. 108(i) report to Congress.

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**DATE:** To become part of the record, and to be fully evaluated in preparing the report, all comments must be received by the Copyright Office on or before August 2, 1982.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted as follows:

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(17 U.S.C. 108)

Dated: June 10, 1982.

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Approved.

Daniel J. Boorstin,  
*The Librarian of Congress.*

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