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Ladies and Gentlemen

As an avid and experienced computer user, I have a viewpoint that is critical to the producers of technology. Producers rely on consumers. I am a consumer, a technology consumer. As a consumer, I purchase products that interest me and are useful to me. What you are trying to stop would lower the support of the producers as well as those who enforce the restriction.

The so called hackers that have cracked the DVD disc should not be sought at as criminals, nor as a threat to producers. The DVD situation should be no different to that of a CD. They are both storage options for all sorts of people, whether they be professional persons or normal people. Both formats are accessible as read-only. The CD however has had technology released which allows people to copy and write to the disc. The same is occurring for a DVD. However, the DVD seems to be different. Why is the question.

Why is the DVD being restricted from being copied or written to? CD's have been copied, pirated, and written to and it is daily habit for most computer users. Why start now, why not change this for CD's as well? The fact is that consumers need inexpensive mass storage. DVD is the answer, yet now it is being restricted. This is not beneficial to the people nor is it to the producer. If the producer is afraid of having discs copied or pirated, why not choose another format? It would mean more havoc for others if they continue to attempt restriction of this data format.

Sincerely

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