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Class of works: I am writing in support of Class #2 (DVD Region Coding): Audiovisual works stored on Digital Versatile Disks ("DVDs") that are not available in Region 1 DVD format and access to which is prevented by technological measures.

Summary:

Disc name: KEY Japanese Name (English Name); additional info Totoro (My Neighbor Totoro); bought 2 years ago in Tokyo, Japan; store unknown; ASIN: B00005NJLP Majo no Takkyuubin (Kiki's delivery service); bought January of this year in Tokyo Japan, at Tsutaya video store: ASIN: B00005J4ST Sen to Chihiro no Kamikakushi (Spirited Away), bought 6 months ago in Tokyo Japan store; unknown ASIN: B00005S8LI

My Wife is Japanese, and our daughter is half Japanese. We are trying to raise her in a bilingual environment, so we have purchased many DVDs from Japan. These do not play on a US DVD player.

To watch these DVDs here requires a rare special player that will play multiregion DVDs. I worry that obtaining such a player would break the law,
especially the DMCA. I worry that my family could be punished with fines or
jail time, because a media corporation trying to protect its bottom line would
file suit against me. Statements like this may seem ridiculous but it is
something that we need to worry about since the DMCA has passed. This law was
passed only to serve the needs of corporations and not the needs of the
people. Therefore these exceptions are necessary to meet the needs of the
people.