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I'm not even sure why I'm bothering to write anything to you people. Considering the Obama administration has already appointed the RIAA's point man for suing the hell out of people accused of illegal file sharing, ironic considering most of the information about the accused was obtained illegally but far be it for the law to protect American citizens when a big corporation like the RIAA is involved. It's pathetic to see how far the music industry has deluded itself into blaming rampant inflated piracy numbers based on horribly inaccurate data "analyzed" by companies directly paid by the RIAA instead of realizing that for over 12 years the music industry itself has failed to adapt to the changing technology's available to the public. Extinct business models based on physical music sales have no place in a time where digital downloads and portable MP3 players as well as MP# compatible cell phones are no longer a rarity but commonplace. I almost laugh myself to death reading the absolute bunk put out by the RIAA these days. Last year they sent a letter to then President Bush that directly blamed music piracy for 8% of the 8.9 million (750,000) unemployed Americans at the time having lost their jobs...absolutely astounding. As was the claim that it "*poses a severe health and safety risk to consumers.*", unfortunately at no point did they list any source or explain how that conclusion was arrived at but hey, who the hell needs facts these days? This is the United States of America where nobody has to take responsibility when you can find a convenient scapegoat. Unless of course you happen to be an average citizen with a government and entertainment industry hell bent on blaming you for their own financial problems. First the taxpayers are told they have to bailout banks that made poor decisions, then the automobile industry and now even though the music and movie companies have a steadily increasing profit margin every year, the taxpayer should pay to prosecute taxpayers based on intellectual property laws that are the domain of private industry to handle? Absolutely not. I am fairly certain that Obama and his buddies will make sure the entertainment industry gets what it wants. They send him and his cronies enough money. I have no doubt this message will be but one of possibly tens of thousands that will sit and rot, possibly glanced over and deleted. When it comes to thinking of the American citizen these days it seems the federal government is far more concerned with protecting the people that line their pockets instead of the people they supposedly serve. So they'll piss away more tax money on something it should not be spent on at all. Maybe someone can tell me who I can contact about protecting my rights from having entertainment industry thugs sifting through my belongings with no evidence but plenty of accusations? There was a time that was important here.