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To: <u>FN-OMB-IntellectualProperty</u>

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Ms Espinel,

i am a songwriter, as well as a music publisher...i have seen, in my hometown of nashville, music publishers reduced from, probably around 300, to probably 25 in the last 10 years.......i not only want to comment on that, but I'm also a schedule c, self employed songwiter that has been thru the most brutal divorce u can imagine in teh last two years......pay the ex \$1300 a month.....my paycheck, after child support deductions, is \$58.......for the right to see my kids every other weekend......just bought a house with my new wife.....i could not qualify for the house loan because i had that much child support.....thank god for my new wife and her income......because my schedule c income COUNTED when considering child support, but not when considering my loan.......it is so messed up.......i won't go on......but i could......have a great week....

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