From:
To: FN-OMB-IntellectualProperty
Subject: Proposed copyright law changes
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Victoria Espinel Office of Management and Budget Executive Office of the President Dear Ms. Espinel:

I email you to say that I have profound doubts about the "Digital Millennium Copyright Act", and hope that the proposed revisions, which seem to have been industry-generated without much consideration for the public good, can be scrapped, and a better version put in its place.

Any enforcement mechanism that would deprive a person of their internet connection is a dangerous thing. Internet Service is now a necessity for many people, and the internet is fast becoming the way for people and government to communicate. Action as radical as denial-of-service should come only after truly criminal activity has been fully proved.

This Copyright Act has been formulated with so little public input that its legitimacy should be severely questioned, and if it should be imposed in its present form, how could any thinking citizen have even the least respect for it?

Copyright law has been consistently eroded in favor of "rights" holders, and against the rights of society to have access to these rights after there has been a period of exclusive use time for the originator. Mickey Mouse is NOT forever.

Sincerely,

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