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The Copyright Alliance has informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator.

I am a freelance photographer marketing my images to the travel and aviation industries. It is a very competitive market. My number one concern with copyright is that I wish to maintain control over who uses my images and for what purpose and to do so in a financially beneficial manner. As the system stands today I lose revenue from unauthorized usage and dedicate resources to recouping those losses. And this is in a system where you are supposed to get permission to print as a standard practice. I'm unsure how I would continue where a "reasonable search" could constitute my work as orphaned and therefore free to use. I do not want my work digitized as part of a larger work and then distributed without compensation. I want to maintain control of what I spend an awful lot of time creating.

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