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Comments: The copyright laws in this country are already outrageous and I will not support any law that wishes to add additional enforcement, or expansion of copyright laws, until the current system is fixed. I urge you to seek assistance from parties on both sides of the issue, including the United States Pirate Party.

In regards to question one: I feel that any alleged losses due to the sharing of files online are negligible in comparison to the record gains from the increase of popularity, free advertisement, and additional sales. There are numerous artists who have gained tremendous profit and popularity despite, and even in thanks to, online file sharing, including Eminem and Nine Inch Nails. Another example would be the ENTIRE film industry, as is shown by their record profits. I mean honestly, record profits in a recession don't jump out at you?

Concerning part two: I feel that the government should update its objectives and start looking for ways to work with businesses to adopt a better model that includes the free sharing of ideas, which, by the way, is what this country was founded on. If that is not possible, then I request that you look for forms of enforcement that do not go against the consumer, and the rights of consumers, such as, but not limited to, the ability to backup media one already owns. I support authors' rights to own their content, but I also want this to be done in a way that does not impede my ability to use the content that I own in a way of my choosing. In addition, any further intellectual property enforcement would certainly be a dire violation of my privacy. That's actually my largest concern.