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Maria Pallante
US Copyright Office

RE: Exemption to Prohibition on Circumvention of Copyright Protection Systems for Access Control Technologies

Dear Maria Pallante:

I am writing this in response to classes 3, 4 and 5. I am the owner of a smart phone (iPhone), a tablet (iPad2) and both laptop and desktop computers. In the 30 years that I have owned and used person computing devices, I have always taken advantage of third party software and hardware to enhance the value, usability and flexibility of these devices. But the manufacturers have continually made it more difficult to do this and I don't understand why. I have always bought manufacturer approved enhancements where they made sense, but when they are of less quality, usability or of significant price than third-party enhancements, I have chosen the third-party enhancement. One example being my iPhone, which is both jailbroken and unlocked, three of the Cydia apps that use are SBSettings, "Tap to Unlock" and XGPS. The first two of these three "apps" are prohibited by Apple, even though they greatly enhance the usability of the iPhone. The third, XGPS is an excellent free community driven GPS application that adds great value to my device.

I do not advocate Piracy and I feel that me being able to use my devices, for which a paid a substantial sum, with enhancements that are developed by enterprising individuals or groups is a right of ownership of the devices. I also feel that allowing huge corporations like Apple, Samsung or Amazon to impede that right of ownership is akin to illegal monopolies.

Please see that the jail exemption is **permanently** extended and made inclusive of all personal computing devices to include phones, tablets and PCs of all types and any similar future devices.

Sincerely,

Carlos Gurr
Citizen and Geek