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From: Peter Hempenstall

Subject: submission on review of copyright

Dear Sir,

I am sending this submission directly via email since your web site keeps blocking me as I try to create an account.

As a writer and creator of both non-fiction and fiction, I am seriously concerned at the pressure to weaken the rights of individual copyright holders using the argument that somehow advances in digital technology make the current protection s for creators less relevant. We remain the creators of original materials which for many of us are the only means of fair and reasonable income. If it is good enough for industrial companies to fight tooth and nail in the law courts of this and every other land to protect patents, branding and product innovation, then it is good enough - indeed essential to protect individuals in the creative arts from the predations of market driven libertarians who have no respect for individuals within creative social communities.

Please protect copyright as it stands.

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