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First, I am not a microsoft basher they have done some good and some very bad things to the computer industry.

I, as many others have to use Microsoft's products.

Microsoft insists that they integrate things into Windows to help the user. I believe that they integrate to help Windows maintain its dominance.

The perfect example is what they have done with their new version of Internet explorer. How does not offering Java or QuickTime support Help users? It doesn't it FORCES people to use Windows Media player and Active X.

So, the effect of that is, if you want people to have access to your web page you MUST use microsoft programming tools. Does this help Business?

What about Microsoft's New version of MSN blocking all but internet Explorer users, does this help users?

The thing that the Justice Department should be worried about is .NET and Passport.

Here's why:

1. you must use windows because their are few real competitors that are brave enough to take microsoft head on for the desktop computer market
2. people use Internet Explorer because it is integrated into windows
3. when using windows & internet explorer the computer urges people to setup a passport account and they finally give in
4. millions of peoples personal and credit information is now sitting on Microsoft's servers
5. by holding such valuable information microsoft has painted a giant bulls eye on its self for hackers to try and hit
6. Microsoft's history with computer security is dismal, how times a month are they issuing patches to fix security holes in Microsoft's IIS which runs the servers containing peoples information
7. the bottom line is that millions of peoples lives can be harmed by Microsoft's software and practices if microsoft is not limited in some way

What is Antitrust Law For? PROTECTING & HELPING PEOPLE!

How does it control microsoft for them to make its windows code available to developers so they can build better programs for the monopoly? It actually helps microsoft because they get more stable programs to run on windows and

it dose not address the problem of WHY Windows is running on over 97% of computers WORLD WIDE.

It may not matter but its my opinion.

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