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Dear Sir or Madam,

As a software developer, familiar with most every issue in this case (as well as many left out of the various trials) I have to say that the DOJ has done a fine job of embarassing the United State of America, not only at the national level, but to the world at large.

Microsoft is a criminal organization that steals from other companies. There can be no argument on this point; it is simply a fact. They are a convicted criminal organization. Yet the DOJ has let them off nearly scot free.

By its tepid action, the DOJ has made the phrase "Justice" a hideous parody of the word Americans learned as a child. To many, your action has done nothing but reinforce the opinion that the USA is not a country of fairness or justice, but one of corruption, favoritism, greed and privelege.

How on earth can any American utter that most hallowed of phrases--"With Liberty and Justice for All"--without feeling that those words are now meaningless? That is the legacy this executive branch has given America.

I suggest you close all the federal prisons and let the inmates run free. At least your standards of justice will then have been applied equally to Microsoft and the common criminal; to me there is no difference.

Regards,  
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