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No. Do not allow Microsoft the opportunity of reaping a reward from a punishment.

I am not sure of what punishment I would place on Microsoft, but the current proposal is only a short term punishment, with a long term possible gain.

Have Microsoft develop/convert its most popular softwares, Office, development tools, etc., to competing platforms. After a stated period of time, 3-5 years of support, Microsoft may stop support and enhancements. Microsoft would have to publish the software into the open source community.

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