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Subject: The current settlement with MicroSoft is bad for competition and for the nation

Hello!

MicroSoft is evil. That is a given. Given all the lies they have said in court over the years, you cannot trust anythng they say. Thus, how can you trust the settlement?

MicroSoft was probably going to give 1 billion dollars to schools anyways. Then the settlement says they have to, which doesn't make any sense, because they were probably going to do it anyways. MicroSoft has always tried to grab the educational institutions, because when people graduate from high school or college, they will stick with the software they know.

Thus:
1. They were already going to do it anyways.
2. It inteferes with Apple's ability to compete in the education market.

MicroSoft is entirely evil and I would prefer, be destroyed. I would like to see it get destroyed under a competitive market, rather than physcial force. I like to win my battles fairly. Given the current republican administration, please do what makes the most sense for a competitive market, which you should understand since you are republican, and just don't so stuff that benefits the rich fat republicans/corporations who have no regard for our nation, just their pocketbook. I want business to thrive for those who deserve it, not those who are able to bribe/lie/cheat/steal their way into power because they have a lot fo money.

Thanks!
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