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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing today to encourage the Department of Justice to accept the Microsoft antitrust settlement. The case has been going on long enough and it is time to move on. The terms of the settlement are fair and the government should accept them.

The antitrust case against Microsoft has been going on for over three years now. It is time to put it to rest. Microsoft has agreed to many concessions to reach the settlement. They even agreed to terms that extend well beyond the products and procedures that were actually at issue in the suit, simply for the sake of putting the issue behind them. For instance they have agreed to design future Windows? versions s as to make it easier for competitors to promote their own products. They have also agreed to grant computer makers broad new rights to configure Windows so as t make it easier for software developers to promote their own products. These concessions and more make up the basis for the settlement.

It is time that the government let Microsoft and the technology industry move forward. The only way to move forward is to put the issue in the past. Please accept the Microsoft antitrust settlement.

Sincerely,

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