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To whom it may concern:

Even though I am not a US citizen, I feel I must make my opinion known, because the results of this case will have an impact on the way Microsoft conducts its business worldwide.

The current settlement proposal is bad for American businesses and it is bad for the consumers. If applied, it would demonstrate to Microsoft that the antitrust laws that it broke have no teeth and that it can act as ruthlessly as it pleases against its competitors and even its own customers, with little fear of reprisal. Since it was found guilty of abusing its monopoly position, Microsoft has shown no indication that it had any intention of changing the abusive nature of its core business practices. A much stronger penalty needs to be applied than that which is currently proposed by the DoJ.

Thank you for your attention.

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