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To The Justice Department :RE--The Proposed Microsoft Settlement;

The following statement, in part, was sent to me by the Seniors Coalition.

"The Seniors Coalition strongly believes that the proposed settlement offers a reasonable compromise that will enhance the ability of seniors and all Americans to access the internet and use innovative software products to make their computer experience easier and more enjoyable.

Unfortunately, a few of Microsoft's competitors have continued their aggressive lobbying campaign to undermine the settlement negotiated with the federal government and nine states. The settlement itself is tough on Microsoft, but is a fair outcome for all parties -- particularly senior consumers. Most important, this settlement will have a very positive impact on the American economy and will help pull us from the recession we have experienced over the past year. Consumer interests have been well served, and the time to end this costly and damaging litigation has come.

Dragging out this legal battle further will only benefit a few wealthy competitors, lawyers, and special interest big-wigs. Not one new product that helps consumers will be brought to the marketplace."

I agree with this completely, and think it is time to put an end to this.

Respectfully,

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