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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am happy to hear the government has decided to settle the Microsoft case. I don't believe Microsoft should have been sued in the first place. However, I think it is in everyone's best interest that this case settle, so that Microsoft may continue doing what it does best - and that is producing quality products.

The settlement agreement appears to be fair, and well thought out. I am particularly in favor of the creation of the technical oversight committee. The existence of an oversight committee should be able allay Microsoft's competitors' fears that Microsoft will not abide by the settlement once it is finalized. Additionally, the settlement will allow computer manufacturers more flexibility to run software that competes with Windows. Microsoft has really agreed to terms beyond what is required of them.

I strongly support all parties' efforts to resolve this case and resent the nine states that maintain opposition. Thank you for your efforts in this regard.

Sincerely,



Agnes Anderson