

Hello,

I refer you to this discussion regarding the so-called Free Trade Agreement between Australia and the USA (FTA).

<http://slashdot.org/articles/04/04/15/1411241.shtml>

I have been observing the crazy abuse of individuals' and small companies' rights in the USA as a direct result of their DCMA legislation, and until now have felt glad that such rubbish was not in place here.

I was distinctly unhappy with the FTA when I learned about it, but now my conviction is that it sells Australia out for the benefit of foreign concerns, (and was probably instrumental in Australia supporting an unjust war in Iraq and the consequent disaster-zone that Iraq has become).

All else aside, implementing the DCMA in Australia will create hardship and inequity for Australians, and my own chosen career (software development) may well be under direct threat.

Please do not bow to pressure from people/organisations pushing an unjust agenda.

Yours sincerely,
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