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My thoughts on my rights as a creator

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The Copyright Alliance and A2IM (the U.S. independent music label trade organization) have informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator.

My name is Stanton Moore, (stantonmoore.com) I am a professional drummer from New Orleans and travel the world spreading the rhythms and culture of my fair city. I play with many projects that include galactic, Stanton Moore Trio, Anders Osborne, Garage-a-Trois, members of the Meters and Neville Bros. and various other projects.

Right now, I make my living touring, but have released many records. The plan has always been to start to earn money off of the records we have released and to tour less as we get older. Unfortunately we are selling less and less records instead or more and more, due to rampant internet piracy.

I would love to see laws and restrictions put in place that could turn the tides in the favor of the struggling artists and make it so that musicians in the US can start to see more a profit off of their CDs and intellectual property.

thank you very much,
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