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Ms Espinel,

I am writing on behalf of five photographers for whom I work. ASMP and the Copyright Alliance have informed us of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share our thoughts on our rights as creators.

Our company is in the business of producing intellectual property (photographs) specifically for the purpose of licensing usage rights to our clients. Since rights licensing is our business model, protection of those rights is critical to the success of our business. Piracy and infringement have a serious negative impact on our ability to survive.

We would like to see a change in the copyright law allowing recovery of legal fees associated with an infringement case, even if a copyright registration was not filed within three months of creation. We produce a huge number of images annually and find it difficult to keep up with timely registration of all our work.

In conclusion, our work supports the livelihood of eight families and the possibility of future retirement for us all.

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