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To who it may concern;

There has been recent discussion in regards to Copyrights and so called, "Orphan" documents. This is where any written work or art work, after a "reasonable" attempt to contact the author/artist, becomes "Orphaned" and free use.

This is a gross violation of an author/artists work. The law should be clarified to protect these works. Copyright of any work published in any format should always remain with the author/artist.

As publishing in an electronic format is quickly becoming the normal operation, it is imperative that copyright laws be strengthened to protect the author/artist. If a person cannot contact the author/artist, they cannot use the work. This allows the author/artist to maintain control of their work in the world of electronic formatting.

Thank you.

Sincerely;

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