I am writing to support the exemption for Jailbreaking/Rooting smartphones and tablets. As a hobbyist and user of both smartphones and tablets I believe that the ability to control the software running on an owned piece of hardware should not be denied. I have owned Motorola and Samsung phones. While there are numerous reasons to want to run specific software on my devices I will list just one simple one here. Samsung does not allow me to leave my Droid Charge on while it is connected to a power source. Why is that important? Well for one if I am using the Maps application in my car as a GPS or a audio app on my phone I would like the phone to not "go to sleep". The additional steps to "wake" the phone back up add additional user interaction and distraction while driving. While Samsung may look at this as a hindrance I look as a danger and would like to support other developers that provide software versions on my phone that provide this feature. Please leave the Jailbreaking/Rooting exemption in the DCMA.

Sincerely,

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