



UNITED STATES COPYRIGHT OFFICE

## Long Comment Regarding a Proposed Exemption Under 17 U.S.C. § 1201

### ITEM A. COMMENTER INFORMATION

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### ITEM B. PROPOSED CLASS ADDRESSED

Proposed Class O: Computer Programs – Repair of Motorized Land Vehicles, Marine Vessels, or Mechanized Agricultural Vehicles or Vessels.

### ITEM C. OVERVIEW

The American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) has been a vigorous and detailed proponent of this Exemption. AFBF submitted six detailed and sworn Declarations of Farmers in the Seventh Triennial and was both a proponent and responder in the Eighth. AFBF appreciates that the Office has now granted this Exemption to the full extent of what the Office sees as its authority. Farmers have found this Exemption highly beneficial in daily commerce, and AFBF and its members have relied on this Exemption in negotiations and dealings with equipment providers.

Thus AFBF strongly supports the Office’s intention to recommend renewal, and (particularly since, as the Office notes, no oppositions were filed against renewal) urges, for reasons stated in the Petition and in aid of the necessary commercial activities cited in the Office’s Proposed Rules, that the Office recommend renewal, and that renewal not be subject to any condition or qualification as might be urged as to this or any other item.

**Privacy Act Advisory Statement:** Required by the Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579)

The authority for requesting this information is 17 U.S.C. §§ 1201(a)(1) and 705. Furnishing the requested information is voluntary. The principal use of the requested information is publication on the Copyright Office website and use by Copyright Office staff for purposes of the rulemaking proceeding conducted under 17 U.S.C. § 1201(a)(1). NOTE: No other advisory statement will be given in connection with this submission. Please keep this statement and refer to it if we communicate with you regarding this submission.

**ITEM D. TECHNOLOGICAL PROTECTION MEASURE(S) AND METHOD(S) OF CIRCUMVENTION**

**ITEM E. ASSERTED ADVERSE EFFECTS ON NONINFRINGEMENT USES**

**DOCUMENTARY EVIDENCE**

In light of the detailed information submitted by AFBF in previous rounds, the lack of opposition in this round, and the Office's stated intention to recommend renewal, AFBF sees no need to supplement the record at this time.