

Re: FTC Complaint filed

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I know I will not get anything done during my lifetime, I'm 60. I also run Solaris and Linux, and there is open-source efforts to get the capture/editing running on them. It would be nice!

Perhaps the FTC can look at M\$ again, to see if the "rootkits" they build into their updates are documented.

What rootkit? Can you provide any details? I suggest starting with my description of rootkits at <http://www.dalepreston.com/Blog/2005/04/rootkits-and-hooks.html>.

Then I suggest downloading Mark Russinovich's rootkit detector. You'll have to go to <http://technet.microsoft.com> to find it now since Microsoft bought him out – heart, mouth, and soul. If you're unsure about the version you can get from Microsoft now, I have the original – pre-sellout – version.

My blog article talks about the steps required to create a BartPC image that will really find rootkits.

Let us know what your tests show. Screenshots would be nice.

A secure system is no longer a luxury, it should be a condition of the purchase. Downloading unwanted or unneeded software without notification or permission should be just as illegal as the spyware/adware is now.

Get a firewall and block everything from Microsoft.

I had no problems running any of my software, even with the large amount of decoders and codecs installed. My problems only occur when, as I said, WMP11 and the retargeted Vista DRM code is downloaded. IE7 does the same thing, ie loads WMP11 AND all of the DRM and Connect stuff if it's not loaded. Every new interface it adds through "stealth mode" adds DRM code too, even if you don't use it! I still don't know how the sync stuff got loaded once, I don't have ant portable devices...

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Perhaps if the DRM code would just w