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"perfb" <perfb@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:775799ec.0406220429.589c1d21@posting.google.com...

| As M\$ is refusing to allow all installations of its defective
| OS to be patched, it is apparent that internet security
| is NOT the top priority at M\$. Any M\$ argument to the contrary
| is thoroughly refuted by this simple fact.

| to wit:

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| Microsoft's actions speak louder than words
| by Bruce Schneier, Network World
| Comment: is security Microsoft's top priority?

| The security of your computer and network depends on two things: what
| you do to secure your computer and network, and what everyone else
| does to secure their computers and networks. It's not enough for you
| to maintain a secure network. If other people don't maintain their
| security, we're all more vulnerable to attack.
| When many unsecure computers are connected to the Internet, worms
| spread faster and more extensively, distributed denial-of-service
| attacks are easier to launch, and spammers have more platforms from
| which to send e-mail. The more unsecure the average computer on the
| Internet is, the more unsecure your computer is.

| Then Microsoft said the initial comments were wrong; SP2 would not run
| on pirated copies of XP. Only legal copies of the software could be
| secured. This is the wrong decision, for all the same reasons that the
| initial decision was the correct one.

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If I were Microsoft I wouldn't foot the bill to maintain stolen copies of my software either.

While I agree that doing so would be to the advantage of the "greater good" Microsoft is not a philanthropic organization it's a for profit corporation and the bandwidth etc... used to maintain pirated copies is an expense.

If I steal your car will you keep up the insurance for me in the event I injure a third party in order to protect them? It would be better for others if you did.

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I'm not an MVP a VIP nor do I have ESP.

I was just trying to help.

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