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Sirs,

I am writing this in the hope you can put a stop to the "stealing of our personal information" on-line, and selling it to whom ever wants to buy. If our personal privacy is to be protected from spyware we all need to take a stand and say "that was more than enough". I have had the misfortune to have "accumilated" several spyware programs, that I have not asked for and do not know when they were installed, and most assuredly would have rejected them if the program was offered in an honest way. Part of the overall problem is that some companies that use these tactics also install the programs so that you can not un-install them, without damaging your computer. I do not believe anyone would want these types of programs if asked, what I do with my computer, that is within the boundries of current laws, is not the property of some advertising scheme and I , for one, would not allow these companies to aim pop up ads at me everywhere I go, and keep reinstalling these "Bugs" on my computer again and again. Advertising has its place and is usefull but there needs to be restrictions as to what they learn about us and what they do with it. Please stop this invasion of MY Privacy. Thanks You for your time.

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