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I would like to take the time to comment on what is called spyware or adware. As a consumer, I am unhappy to think that anyone should be able to add code to my computer without my permission. I do not like the concept of cookies but accept that they may be necessary sometimes and I can always delete them at my command.

I am extremely uncomfortable that someone can track my activity or sites visited and not tell me about it. It is intrusion of the highest order. Especially when it is running in the background without my knowledge or control.

At the same time, permission should not automatically and knowingly be granted when asked in microfine legalese that few people have the knowledge and time to ask. Requests should be required to be upfront and in "English", i.e., understood.

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