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to President Obama and Ms. Espinel:

ASMP and the Copyright Alliance have informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator. Thank you for this invitation.

It is so very very important to maintain the copyright law as stated. Years ago I caught a client using my work on their brochure. I had my lawyer write a letter to them. I received compensation for this. Because of the copyright law, I was able to have control over this illegal use. I have caught several others since then.

However, with the internet, this piracy of my images is impossible to monitor properly. The more this is allowed, the harder it will be for me to earn a living as a free lance photographer, and be justly compensated for my work. We need tighter control over use of images that I as a photographer create.

Thank you very much for listening.

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