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The Copyright Alliance and A2IM (the U.S. independent music label trade organization) have informed me of this welcome invitation from the Obama Administration to share my thoughts on my rights as a creator. As a independent record label, intellectual property rights are our entire livelihood. We are a jazz label based in New Orleans and our releases are an extension of the tradition that is at the heart of American music. We pour every resource back into making more records. The piracy and infringement of our intellectual property is not merely stealing it is actively preventing us from making more music, thereby hindering the rich cultural heritage that exists in Louisiana.