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Re: Smartphones, Tablets, personal computing devices and video game consoles

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I am a user supporting the ability to root or jailbreak smartphones, tablets, personal computing devices and video game consoles that I purchase. If I purchase a device, I should be able to install software of my choice to allow me to more fully use the device. I do not pirate software, but I often find that there are security vulnerabilities in the software that comes with my device that is not fixed or fixed only after a long period of time. Having the ability to root or jailbreak my phone allows me address this problem much quicker. Moreover, it allows me to create back-ups of my device that are not available with an unrooted device. I have also modified some files to allow bluetooth keyboards that work with my devices to operate better – for instance allowing certain keys to initiate certain commands like a “home button” which is not normally supported on the keyboard. For these reasons, I support extending the exemption for smartphones and expanding it to include tablets, personal computing devices and vide game consoles.