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<incom> Massive Attack on Brazil's IPR Policies

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exterminate the tupiniquins!

prettiest is this one:

"BRAZIL MUST STOP UNDERMINING U.S. PRIVATE
PROPERTY RIGHTS"

and US should stop playing around with disinfo, buying
brasilian congressmen to approve favourable projects
and try to approach amazon oil and fresh water by
claiming war on drugs or something like that.

even prettier:

"dispassionate voice"

LOL

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On 3/26/07, Soenke Zehle [s.zehle at kein.org](mailto:s.zehle@kein.org) wrote:

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> [via A2k]

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> From: Volker Grassmuck [vgrass at rz.hu-berlin.de](mailto:vgrass@rz.hu-berlin.de)

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> Here is a new consignment of Mr. Kogan's crusade against Brazil (and
> the EU) undermining US-American interests and for strong IPRs as the
> way to Sustainable Development:

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> Lawrence A. Kogan, Brazil's IP Opportunism Threatens U.S. Private
> Property Rights, (6 Feb 07), apparently forthcoming in: University of
> Miami Inter-American Law Review, Vol. 38:1,

> [http://www.itssd.org/Publications/IAL105-II\(frompublisher\)%5B2%5D.pdf](http://www.itssd.org/Publications/IAL105-II(frompublisher)%5B2%5D.pdf)

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> *The Institute for Trade, Standards and Sustainable Development*
> *(ITSSD), Providing an informed, reasoned, and dispassionate voice to*
> *the global public debate. (r)*
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> *Here is the press release on the article in which "Mr. Kogan*
> *questions whether "these same bandits will strike during the upcoming*
> *April 2007 EU-US summit, a primary goal of which is to bridge*
> *transatlantic chasms in IP regulatory law."*
> <http://www.itssd.org/pdf/TheGreatBrazilianIPRobberyII.pdf>
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> *And here are some quotes from the 140 pages paper:*
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> *The Government of Brazil, however, has assumed a leadership role in*
> *international fora by promoting a new but highly controversial global*
> *framework that calls for the current high technology, knowledge and*
> *information-based digital era to become 'universally accessible,'*
> *'open source,' and essentially free of charge to developing*
> *countries. Brazil, along with a growing chorus of developing nations,*
> *activists, and self-proclaimed new social and environmental thinkers,*
> *has alleged that this new paradigm is predicated upon an expanded*
> *notion of sustainable development (SD) that eschews strong IPRs.*
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> *Besides anti-market, anti-private property and anti-WTO advocates,*
> *there is also a vocal group of American self-proclaimed*
> *multilateralists who believe that this is necessary in order to*
> *prevent the emergence of extreme economic, scientific, technological*
> *and social disparities and popular backlashes against globalization*
> *that will serve to threaten international peace and security.*
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> *In other words, the 'enlightened' notion of sustainable development,*
> *originally articulated almost twenty years ago, has since been*
> *effectively hijacked, distorted and propagandized into a negative*
> *anti-market, anti-private property and anti-WTO doctrine that focuses*
> *only on the flaws, rather than the strengths, of the established*
> *international order.*
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> *The Government Lula ... actually operated behind the scenes to help*
> *craft a new version of the 1970's New International Economic Order*
> *(NIEO) that endeavors to undermine exclusive private property rights*
> *and the rule of law.*
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> *During the past seven years, the Brazilian Government, prodded by*
> *activists and supported by the WHO, has repeatedly threatened to*
> *'take' the private IPRs of OECD life science companies operating in*
> *Brazil (via issuance of compulsory licenses) for an ostensible*
> *'public use' without paying 'just compensation.' ... It is believed,*
> *however, that Brazilian generic drug makers and corrupt Brazilian*
> *politicians, rather than the poor and HIV-infected people of Brazil,*
> *primarily benefit from such intimidation and extortion-like*
> *activities.*
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> *Of even greater concern, however, is the influence that Brazil's*
> *continued anti-IP activities has had on the thinking of other*
> *emerging and developing countries, and the impact that it will have*
> *on future U.S. international competitiveness.*
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> Brazil and other developing countries that have become dissatisfied
> with the TRIPS and WIPO agreements and the American capitalist
> economic model of 'risk and reward,' which serves as the basis for
> the current international IP framework, are now employing, with the
> assistance of well-funded global civil society (activist NGOs), a
> strategy known as 'regime shifting.'
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> Brazil Actively Promotes a New International Paradigm of 'Open
> Source' / 'Universal Access' to Knowledge
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> Brazil's Efforts at the World Intellectual Property Organization
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> On September 29, 2004, shortly following the commencement of the
> special session, a group of European socialist-minded open source
> advocates and civil society activists submitted their own WIPO
> proposal, otherwise known as the Geneva Declaration on the Future of
> World Intellectual Property Organization.
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> In conclusion, the 'open source methods' paradigm provides a highway
> for assembling the anti-private property, anti-IP, antifree market
> and anti-globalization troops to mount a prolonged attack against the
> established international economic and legal order.
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> BRAZIL MUST STOP UNDERMINING U.S. PRIVATE
> PROPERTY RIGHTS
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> While it may be understandable that a lack of natural and/or human
> capital resources may give rise to a national sense of inadequacy,
> insecurity, and urgency, such feelings, if unchecked, could
> nevertheless devolve into something much more harmful. ... However,
> such practices should neither continue nor be justified forever. Once
> developing countries rise to become emerging economies, such as
> Brazil, they must grow up and evolve!
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> Volker
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