



*Il Presidente della Commissione Cultura,
Scienza e Istruzione della Camera dei Deputati*

Mr. Richard M. Stallman
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Mr. Bruce Perens
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Mr. Arturo Di Corinto
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Dear Mr. Stallman, Mr. Perens, Mr. Di Corinto

as President of the Committee on Culture, Science and Education of the Italian Parliament, I have the pleasure to ask you to stand jointly before a special hearing in front of this Committee on June 7th 2007.

It is of interest of the Committee, within his powers and duties, to increase its understanding of themes related to FLOSS (free/libre and open source software), knowledge sharing and copyleft.

Also, the hearings will cover current legislative drafts and EU directives, such as DRMA and EUCD, the patenting of software, the european directive IPRED2, which contrast the very basic principles of the social movements you contributed to create.

It is also of great interest, for the Committee, to shed light over links among FLOSS, research and education.

Looking forward to your acceptance,

Best regards,

On. Pietro Folena

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Rome, May 15th, 2007