

Dear Mr Gowers

I was appalled to read about the proposed extension of mechanical copyright to 95 years. This link will explain my own feelings and those of thousands of enthusiasts for all sorts of older musics.

<http://www.mustrad.org.uk/editor.htm>

I should add that I am a professional musician and fully understand the need for effective protection of intellectual property rights, but this is simply giving big corporations a massive slice of recorded human culture which they did not create and which can be of no value to them anyway.

thank you, paul roberts