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I believe that the government's role in our modern era is to provide a secure context within which private citizens and groups can compete to provide products and services to a willful public. Any executable which allows internet providers to prioritize content based on private interest fundamentally handicaps any and all interests who are unwilling or unable to cooperate with those internet providers.

It is the role of government to set forth and execute the rules of such cooperation. To allow internet providers to have any direct control on such issues, beyond public comments such as this forum, is to allow undue and unfair and unjust cooperation. Just as rules exist that prohibit anti-competitive practices and insider trading, there must be independent rules that govern both internet providers and content providers.

I am worried that the billions of dollars spent by the internet providers has the potential to bias your judgement and may result in decisions and actions that will hinder our economic growth, international stature, and global competitiveness. I urge you to treat these public comments with the same weight that you give to those of the lobbyists who have been paid to provide the counter argument. And I hope you make the right decision.