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## **MPAA PROVIDES USTR DETAILS ON WORLD'S MOST PROBLEMATIC MARKETS FOR ILLEGAL FILM AND TV DISTRIBUTION**

WASHINGTON --- The Motion Picture Association of America, Inc. (MPAA) submitted formal comments to the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) listing some of the world's most notorious marketplaces for the distribution of infringing content. The USTR is publishing its fourth Notorious Markets List since 2011 and issued a [request for public comments](#) on September 26. In response, the MPAA's filing notes some of the world's most infringing marketplaces including direct download and streaming cyberlockers, linking websites, peer-to-peer networks, BitTorrent portals, and physical markets. Identifying these notorious marketplaces helps maintain a healthy and sustainable international marketplace for creative content around the globe.

The following is a statement from **MPAA's Chairman and CEO Senator Chris Dodd** on today's formal submission:

"The film and television industry is a vibrant component of our nation's economy, supporting close to 2 million jobs and generating a positive trade surplus in every country in the world in which it does business. Robust protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights both domestically and abroad are vital to ensuring the sustained growth of America's creative industries. We are grateful for the USTR's continued efforts to highlight the importance of global IP rights and appreciate the opportunity to shine a light onto these infringing marketplaces that limit U.S. competitiveness and undermine the hard work of so many American men and women."

Here's a link to the [MPAA's full submission](#).

### ***About the MPAA***

*The Motion Picture Association of America, Inc. (MPAA) serves as the voice and advocate of the American motion picture, home video and television industries from its offices in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C. Its members include: Walt Disney Studios Motion Pictures; Paramount Pictures Corporation; Sony Pictures Entertainment Inc.; Twentieth Century Fox Film Corporation; Universal City Studios LLC; and Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc.*

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