

## Re: RealPlayer is attempting to access the internet

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Isopropyl wrote:

>> -----Original Meaningless Message-----  
>> *Because it is (or at least \*was\* the last time i infected  
>> a computer with it to see what it did) indeed spyware.  
>> Clear enough?*  
>  
> *No, not really clear. Just because you say so, doesn't  
> mean it's so. Who are you? Nobody. If you are accusing  
> RealPlayer of spyware, PROVE it with facts instead of just  
> saying empty statements like, "Because it is indeed  
> spyware. Clear enough?"*  
>  
>> *No. Unlike the Realplayer crud, I've never caught Media  
>> Player doing things i've explicitly told it not to do.  
>> If you don't like Windows Media Player there are plenty  
>> of other alternatives out there besides Real.*  
>  
> *Not my problem. I never said I didn't like Windows Media  
> Player. Don't assume things...when you assume, you make  
> an...well, you know already.*  
>  
> *I only mentioned Media Player because both Media Player  
> and RealPlayer ask me for permission to access the  
> internet to find out the artist's name on a CD, etc. No  
> difference.*  
>  
> *I've never caught RealPlayer doings things I've explicitly  
> told it not to do, either. So, what's your point?*

That we both obviously have very different opinions of Real Player.

I don't much care if you think i'm right or wrong. I'm nobody, as you say, so my opinions don't matter. You, too are as much a "nobody" as me, so I can accord your opinion as much respect as you accord mine.