

Re: BIG SECURITY ISSUE

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Well, there is a workaround.
put in %SYSTEM ROOT%\system32\drivers\etc
a file named 'hosts' (without "s")
containing sth such as:
127.0.0.1 localhost
127.0.0.1 sa.windows.com
127.0.0.1 sc.windows.com
127.0.0.1 windowsmedia.com
127.0.0.1 any-host-you-don't-want-your-computer-to-
secretly-connect-to

this will successfully prevent your computer from
connecting to hosts specified above (accept for localhost,
ie your own computer, which actually should be
127.0.0.1)

>-----Original Message-----

>Greetings --

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> *An encrypted hardware hash is sent as part of the
activation*

> *process, but no personal information of any kind is sent
to Microsoft,*

> *unless you voluntarily send it by registering.*

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> *Here are the facts pertaining to activation:*

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> *Piracy Basics – Microsoft Product Activation*

> <http://www.microsoft.com/piracy/basics/activation/>

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> *Windows Product Activation (WPA)*

> <http://www.aumha.org/a/wpa.htm>

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> *Bruce Chambers*

>Microsoft MVP – Shell/User

><http://dts-l.org/goodpost.htm>

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>You can have peace. Or you can have freedom. Don't
ever count on

>having both at once. -- RAH

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>"Peter." <moronicman2@yahoo.com> wrote in message

>news:47ff01c2bc13\$bad77c80\$d3f82ecf@TK2MSFTNGXA10...

>> is it true windows xp sends info on your computer back
to

>> microsoft? if it does, would this be any important or

>> valuable info that could prove useful to other people

who

>> are looking for info on me?

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