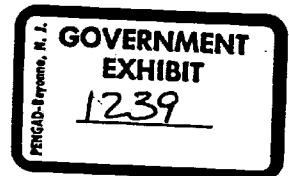X-UIDL: 837790984.000
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Scott,

I just came out of a meeting with a couple of guys from Microsoft. I
must honestly say that I was fairly impressed. Given the amount of
time (well, I guess money does help too) that they have devoted to
this, they have really done a lot. However, I still don't buy into
what they're saying (i.e. everything is free). I also don't but the
fact that they say they are adhering to all applicable CERN standards

while they say that "Brand-X" (which is how they refer to you guys) is imposing it's proprietary extensions.

Unfortunately, the fact that they are offering us all of their Internet/Intranet software (with the exception of say an Exchange server and some tools) for free is a big obstacle for Netscape. That "free" word happens to pull a lot of weight around here. We need to get you guys to come up with something pretty soon so that we don't end up getting sucked into MS's web. What I think you should do is beef-up your team (grab Bob, Kris, and whoever else you can find) and call John Oglesby and set up a presentation (do it over at the Tower in the Cypress room). I don't know if you guys have done a full blown presentation demonstrating the capabilities of your product line up or not. If not (or even if so), now is a very good time to arrange one.

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