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Subject: Re: Bittorrent and File Sharing

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Fri, 15 Feb 2008 21:05:10 GMT

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Goztow wrote on Fri, 15 February 2008 15:50[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demonoid#In\\_Canada](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demonoid#In_Canada)

Yes, it seems that they weren't shut down, they just needed to find a country where they could find someone willing to host their servers... Same thing, tbh.

Cheesesoda, I agree with your definition but the comparison doesn't fully apply. Torrent sites could filter out copyrighted content but they choose not to. They got a lot of moderators, like our friend troopr, they could even make some kind of "don't show publically unless aprooved by a mod" - system. Just like youtube will soon need to apply filtering software.

Obviously they wouldn't be anywhere as popular as they are now if they did. + they do make money from the advertising on their website, though they might claim that it's only used for covering hosting costs.

I don't agree that torrent sites don't have the intention to do help someone do something illegal. The admins are responsible for what is on their website, just like Crimson is responsible for what comes on this website. A gun shop owner also needs to check if the one buying it has a license.

Choosing to ignore what happens is not a reason to claim innocence.

Just because I download copyrighted content doesn't mean I'm downloading it illegally, either. If I download a movie, it could be that I have the DVD, but I would just rather not waste the time ripping it then encoding it.

Also, I don't see why it should be considered "illegal" if someone downloads a copyrighted album, and then deletes it, or if they own the CD, but don't want to rip it or have lost the album. There are plenty of reasons why copyrighted content isn't necessarily downloaded for illegal purposes.

As for sites like TPB, they take the strict stance of being the means to sharing, but they don't moderate what they have. This, at one point, even included child porn. You could find child porn on TPB, since they didn't moderate anything.

Edit: I love torrents. It's great for finding new music. I wouldn't like half the bands I do if it weren't for "illegal" sharing.

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