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NEARLY ONE MILLION GAMING ACCOUNTS LOST IN LEGACY SERVERS

Saturday the 10th (CEST), 11pm

Nostalrius decided to stop all game related services after receiving a cease and desist request from Blizzard Entertainment. This information created a huge public outcry in the World of Warcraft and gaming community as a whole, as the closure of Nostalrius is effectively the largest banwave in gaming history. The open letter for legacy servers addressed to Blizzard's CEO Mike Morhaime has reached 50,000 signatures within the first 2 days (link below).

Tomorrow, detailed statistics about the realm community will be published. A complete post-mortem feedback is to be released during the next week, in the hope it might be useful for the gaming community / industry to understand the need for no longer available content, how Nostalrius fulfilled it the best it could, along with complete suggestions for decision makers.

About Nostalrius

Nostalrius is a legacy gaming server, implementing the very first version of the World Of Warcraft MMORPG (online game), also called "Vanilla", released in 2004. Most of the original game content is no longer available on official gaming servers, or has changed a lot since.

The Nostalrius community consisted of 150,000 active players from around the world, on a total of 800,000 accounts created over one year. These players accepted to play on an unofficial server with the possibility of potentially losing their characters. Even more people would join an officially endorsed vanilla server.

The current official Nostalrius team is made of about 30 World of Warcraft passion-driven fans, working on a volunteer basis. Nostalrius was internationally released on the 28th of February 2015, and has always been a completely non-profit organization.

Official website - <https://en.nostalrius.org/>

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Media:

High definition logos: <http://imgur.com/a/Dx5wo>

Twitter: [@NostalBegins](https://twitter.com/NostalBegins) - <https://twitter.com/NostalBegins>

Reddit AMA ("Ask Me Anything"):

https://www.reddit.com/r/wow/comments/4droz4/we_are_nostalrius_a_world_of_warcraft_fanmade/

Open letter for legacy servers:

<https://www.change.org/p/michael-morhaime-legacy-server-among-world-of-warcraft-community?recruiter=522873458>

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