Fixing Active Desktop Recovery Windows XP problem

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I had to repair Windows XP PC which got the annoying **Active Desktop Recovery** screen. I remember seeing this screen back in the days when I was still using *Microsoft Windows 98*. It was quite shocking for me to find out this stupid pointless Windows bug appears on NT based Windows as well...

As you can see on the screenshot there is a button **Restore My Active Desktop** but pressing this button doesn't change anything

People around the *net recommend* two ways to fix that one is through:

 Control Panel -> Internet Options -> Advanced (Reset)

After this I tried the usual Computer **Restart** but unfortunately this not solved the problem.

Second suggested method was through a change in **Windows registry** from

C:\> regedit

HKEY_CURRENT_USER\\Software\Microsoft\\Internet Explorer\\Desktop\\SafeMode\\Components

Change the key value - **DeskHtmlVersion REG_DWORD 0x00000110(272) to decimal zero.**

Registry Editor

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Name	Type	Data
(Default)	REG_SZ	(value not set)
	DWORD	0x00000005 (5)
	DWORD	0x00000110 (272)
	DWORD	0x00000000 (0)
	DWORD	0x00000001 (1)

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Edit DWORD Value

Value name:

DeskHtmVersion

Value data:

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