

# **Ted Kaczynski's Correspondence with Paul S. Petersen**

December 31, 2010

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... if you would like to get me a subscription to *The Atlantic* (magazine), I would greatly appreciate it.

Thanks,  
Ted Kaczynski

## 2. From Ted to Paul

January 8, 2011

Dear Mr. Peterson:

I owe you an apology. In my letter dated 12/31/10 I asked you to get me a subscription to *The Atlantic*. I thought my subscription to *The Atlantic* had run out, but apparently I was mistaken. ... You may wonder why I don't know how my own magazine subscriptions are doing. Well, the reason is that all my subscriptions are bought for me by a very strange lady in California who pays no attention to what *I* want in the way of subscriptions. She just orders for me, without my prior consent or my prior knowledge, whatever *she* thinks I should be reading - including travel brochures. Yes, *travel brochures*. Like, maybe she thinks I can travel? ...

TED KACZYNSKI

to

PAUL S. PETERSEN

December 31, 2010

Dear Mr. Petersen:

Thank you for your note dated 12/8/10, which I received on 12/20/10.

You say that you wonder how I spend my time now. I spend a lot of it in answering letters. I also spend a lot of time in other writing that is independent of my correspondence. As a basis for this other writing I need information from books. But prisoners here are not allowed to have many books in their cells at any one time, so I have to take extensive notes on the books I read in order to retain the information for later use. Taking these notes costs me a great deal of time.

Also, lawyers who are both competent and honest are a rarity, and as a result I have to do a lot of work that the lawyers should be doing, and conflicts with the lawyers cost me quite a bit of time.

You invite me to list a few things that you can send me. There are ~~very~~ very few things that people on the outside are allowed to send to prisoners here. But if you would like to get me a subscription to The Atlantic (magazine), I would greatly appreciate it.

Thanks,

Ted Kaczynski

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Dear Mr. Petersen:

I owe you an apology. In my letter dated 12/31/10 I asked you to get me a subscription to The Atlantic. I thought my subscription to The Atlantic had run out, but apparently I was mistaken: Just yesterday I received the latest issue of The Atlantic (somewhat belatedly, I thought). So it seems my subscription to The Atlantic is still good at the moment, though I don't know how long it will last before it runs out.

You may wonder why I don't know how my own magazine subscriptions are doing. Well, the reason is that all my subscriptions are bought by my mother, a very strange and California who pays no attention to what I want in the way of subscriptions. She just orders for me, without my consent or my prior knowledge, whatever she thinks I should be reading-- including travel brochures. Yes, travel brochures. Like, maybe she thinks I can travel?

Anyway, the point is that you can skip the Atlantic subscription for me.

By the way, a book by me was published last April. The title is Technological Slavery, and if you're interested you can get a copy for \$22.95 plus \$5.50 for shipping, total \$28.45, from the publisher:

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