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Subject: Amazon

Dear John Read,

I think the Justice Department's efforts on behalf of Amazon are misplaced. It is Amazon that should be the subject of an anti-trust investigation. Amazon's tentacles are spread far and wide and spreading farther and wider by the minute - their influence on the publishing and bookselling worlds destructive and formidable.

Books are more than commodities - they are expressions of culture, the brick and mortar bookstores places of culture, where immediate cultural transferences occur, just as they do in theaters and museums. Patrons engage with books in a bookstore in a fuller, more immediate way than they can online - both kinetically and intellectually.

Please turn your eyes to the monopolistic Amazon and shackle it.

Sincerely yours,

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