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David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>
To: Henk Barendregt <henk@cs.ru.nl>

Thu, Dec 10, 2015 at 5:37 PM

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Sun, Dec 13, 2015 at 1:55 PM

To: Andrew Pinsent <andrew.pinsent@theology.ox.ac.uk>

Dear Prof. Pinsent,

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Francisco Ayala

David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Tue, Dec 8, 2015 at 9:15 AM

To: execsec@issr.org.uk

Dear Dr. Knight,

I notices that Francisco Ayala is a member of your organization. He is also a member of the the Board of Directors of the Center for Theology and the Natural Sciences, which publishes *Theology and Science*. This journal rejected my submission titled, "An Analogy Between Nazi Germany and the United States." It concerns an article titled "Entropy and evolution" published by the *American Journal of Physics* which is absurd atheistic propaganda.

I've attached my article as well as my correspondence with the editors of *Theology and Science*. My belief is that your affiliation with Ayala and his affiliation with CTNS means that your organization should put pressure on the AJP to retract the article. All of my correspondence about this scandal is at <http://www.pseudoscience123.com>.

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Francisco Ayala

ISSR <execsec@issr.org.uk>

Tue, Dec 8, 2015 at 9:51 AM

To: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Dear Dr. Roemer,

Our Society rightly has no influence on the decisions of editors of journals in the field of study that we report, and certainly have no influence on the editors of physics journals. I can only suggest that you submit an article to AJP indicating why a paper that they have published is questionable.

With best wishes,

Chris Knight

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Dr. Christopher C. Knight
Executive Secretary

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David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Francisco Ayala

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Tue, Dec 8, 2015 at 12:07 PM

To: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Dear Dr.Roemer,

Inevitably people make different judgments about arguments that are presented in the academic world. The peer-reviewing system for making decisions about whether an academic journal should publish a submitted article may not, of course, always give the perfect outcome, but it seems to work pretty well most of the time.

I know from my own experience as a referee that referees do sometimes feel that they have to recommend either rejection of a submitted paper or else publication only after significant re-writing has been done. It is this second situation that gives rise to the kind of thanks to referees that you refer to: often a referee will say to the journal's editors that in his opinion a submitted paper will be acceptable provided that in a revised version something is discussed that has not been discussed in the original submission. This judgment is then passed on to the author (without the referee's name being given) and occasionally this revision process goes through two or three cycles, with the referee making comments on the re-written versions as well as on the original.

I myself have an interesting - indeed, in my opinion, a ground-breaking - paper that has now gone to four different journals and that no-one has yet seen fit to publish, so I know the frustration that rejection of a paper can cause. The refereeing system is, however, the best one that anyone has come up with and we do, I think, have to work with it and accept its limitations. Referees and editors may not always have perfect judgment but they are, in my experience, people of integrity.

With best wishes,

Chris Knight

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Pumfrey, Stephen <s.pumfrey@lancaster.ac.uk>

Sun, Dec 13, 2015 at 5:51 PM

To: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>, "execsec@issr.org.uk" <execsec@issr.org.uk>

Dear Chris Knight,

I am honoured to be a (somewhat passive) member of ISSR. As you would expect from an ISSR member, my academic research and teaching aspires to present the most sympathetic and balanced view I can achieve of the relations (in my case, primarily historical) between science and religion.

It is in that context that I object to what I regard as an abuse of the ISSR list in the email I received from one David Roemer about the article "Entropy and Evolution" published in *Am. J. Phys.* (AJP).

I reviewed the links provided by David Roemer and, while I have no grounds to claim expertise in the scientific field of entropy, I was disturbed by Roemer's extreme ideological position, which seems to me to be at odds with the open, discursive and pluralist position which is the strength of members of ISSR.

For example, I have no wish to agree, on the say-so of Roemer, to the expulsion of someone from the Academy of Catholic Theology. Per contra, the suggestion from the editor of the AJP, that Roemer submit an article "explaining why the AJP is spreading misinformation about evolution and thermodynamics" seems a sensible way forward, although I suspect from his postings that Roemer would write off any refusal to publish as more signs of a conspiracy against Creationists.

I am not advocating the censorship of communications such as Roemer's, but I am advocating the ISSR's formal distancing of the ISSR of a posting of this kind.

Dr Stephen Pumfrey,

Department of History,

Lancaster University, LA1 4YT.

s.pumfrey@lancaster.ac.uk

"The William Gilbert Website"

<http://www.lancs.ac.uk/fass/projects/gilbert/>

From: David Roemer [david@dkroemer.com]

Sent: 13 December 2015 22:00

To: Pumfrey, Stephen

Subject: ISSR

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Michael Reiss <M.Reiss@ioe.ac.uk>
To: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Thu, Dec 10, 2015 at 4:06 PM

Dear David Roemer,

Thank you for this. I don't think I can add anything to the impressive list of those to whom you have already written.

Best wishes,

Michael Reiss

Michael J. Reiss
<http://www.reiss.tc>
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UCL Institute of Education
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www.ucl.ac.uk/ioe

There are maps and travel advice at <http://www.ioe.ac.uk/sitehelp/1072.html>
I'm in Room 913

From: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Date: Thursday, 10 December 2015 at 13:29

To: Michael Reiss <M.Reiss@ioe.ac.uk>

Cc: Chris Knight <execsec@issr.org.uk>

Subject: ISSR

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Wed, Dec 9, 2015 at 10:19 AM

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Sun, Dec 13, 2015 at 12:23 PM

To: Alan Padgett <apadgett@luthersem.edu>

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Sun, Dec 13, 2015 at 10:16 AM

To: Ahmed Ragab <ahmed_ragab@harvard.edu>

Dear Dr. Ragab,

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Automatic reply: ISSR

Evans, John <jhevans@ucsd.edu>
To: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Sun, Dec 13, 2015 at 4:30 PM

I am traveling internationally for work until December 18. I will try to reply to email while on the road, but given busyness and a 10 hour time difference, my response will be delayed.

John H. Evans

Professor of Sociology

Associate Dean of Social Sciences

University of California, San Diego

<http://sociology.ucsd.edu/faculty/bio/evansj.shtml>



David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Re: Fwd: ISSR

Dr. Munawar A. Anees <dranees@knowsys.org>
To: David Roemer <david@dkroemer.com>

Sat, Dec 12, 2015 at 2:12 AM

Dear Dr Roemer

I received a couple of communications from you, including a fax. Unfortunately, only 2 pages of the fax arrived. The rest seems to have been lost. Other emails too are patchy, leaving me a bit confused. Could you kindly send me a single all-inclusive communication, along with any attachments in pdf format. I'll then be able to respond to you in a meaningful manner.

Thanks.

Dr. Munawar A. Anees

At 07:41 PM 12/10/2015, David Roemer wrote:

Dear Dr. Anees,
I am hoping you will follow your conscience about this matter.Â
Very truly yours,Â
David Roemer
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----- Forwarded message -----

From: **David Roemer** <david@dkroemer.com>
Date: Thu, Dec 10, 2015 at 8:29 AM
Subject: ISSR
To: m.reiss@ioe.ac.uk
Cc: Christopher Knight <execsec@issr.org.uk>

Dear Rev. Reiss,Â
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every form of tyranny over the mind of man. Thomas Jefferson