

## Microsoft Outlook

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**From:** Jeffrey M. Smith <(b)(6)>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 05, 2011 3:58 AM  
**To:** Smith, Jeff  
**Subject:** Fwd: Economist article

Sent from my iPod

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Jim Kirkland" <(b)(6)>  
**Date:** August 4, 2011 10:25:15 PM EDT  
**To:** <(b)(6)>  
**Subject:** Re: Economist article

I'm up if you want to talk now 408 528 4976

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**From:** Jeffrey M. Smith [mailto:(b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2011 07:08 PM  
**To:** Jim Kirkland  
**Subject:** Re: Economist article

We should talk ...

Sent from my iPod

On Aug 4, 2011, at 9:32 PM, "Jim Kirkland" <(b)(6)> wrote:

What I really don't get is why Genachowski is still putting his own name on the line on this. He has a really good excuse to back off – LightSquared clearly told him the same things they said publicly – that this wasn't a problem. That clearly isn't the case. Why double or triple down?

And LightSquared is going off the deep end in public. Falcone was on CNBC today saying the opposition is all being orchestrated by AT&T and Verizon as a conspiracy to crush competition. Last time I checked those guys didn't have a lot of stroke at the FAA. Or DOD. Or DHS.

And as for the White House, there are way more important things to be struggling over, and without the downside risks here. Why is this not radioactive?

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**From:** Jeff Smith [mailto:(b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 04, 2011 9:14 PM  
**To:** Jim Kirkland  
**Subject:** Re: Economist article

Forecast: headwinds...

Sent from my iPad

On Aug 4, 2011, at 5:34 PM, "Jim Kirkland" <(b)(6)> wrote:

Jeff,

FYI – from Economist Online. I'm in Dc and we were trying to meet with WH staff tomorrow but couldn't coordinate a time. Will be meeting at DOT and DOD.

Best,

Jim

<http://www.economist.com/blogs/babbage/2011/08/gps-fiasco>

## The GPS fiasco

# The Difference Engine: Off the radar

Aug 4th 2011, 19:37 by N.V. | LOS ANGELES

IT IS annoying enough when you board a plane in New York bound for San Francisco only to end up in Los Angeles because the Bay Area is fogged in (which has happened to your correspondent twice). It would be downright unnerving if it happened because the air-traffic control system directed the plane there by mistake.