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DISCOVERY CHANNEL'S HIGHLY-ANTICIPATED NEW SCRIPTED SERIES MANHUNT: UNABOMBER TO PREMIERE IN 2017

Paul Bettany, Sam Worthington, Jane Lynch, Chris Noth and Keisha Castle-Hughes lead all-star cast Executive Producer Kevin Spacey

Ted Kaczynski, also known as the "Unabomber," terrified the US over the span of 20 years from the 1980s to the early 1990s. Premiering in 2017, Discovery Channel's brand new scripted series, **Manhunt: UNABOMBER**, tells the story of how the FBI brought down one of the most infamous criminal masterminds in the world.

Currently in production in Atlanta, **Manhunt: UNABOMBER** features an all-star cast. **Paul Bettany** (*Gangster No. 1, Captain America: Civil War*) plays the notorious Ted Kaczynski, **Sam Worthington** (*Hacksaw Ridge, Avatar*) portrays FBI Agent Jim "Fitz" Fitzgerald, **Jane Lynch** (*Glee*) stars as US Attorney General Janet Reno, **Chris Noth** (*The Good Wife, Sex and the City*) is Don Ackerman, the Bay Area Divisional Head of the FBI, while **Keisha Castle-Hughes** (*Roadies, Game of Thrones*) takes the role of Tabby, a street agent who partners up with Jim.

The series traces how FBI Agent Jim "Fitz" Fitzgerald challenged the old-school ways with his radical new approach to intelligence gathering - his focus on linguistics became vital to breaking the case. To stop the Unabomber's reign of terror, it would take someone with an unconventional style. But could this maverick way of doing things cause even more tension from within? And potentially throw off the entire case? In the end, Fitzgerald trail blazed a career that would lead him to become one of the most decorated profilers in the history of the FBI. But the road to get there wasn't as easy as it looked.

Manhunt: UNABOMBER is produced with Lionsgate and Trigger Street Productions. Kevin Spacey, Dana Brunetti, Troy Searer and Greg Yaitanes are Executive Producers.

Manhunt: UNABOMBER is coming to Discovery Channel in 2017.

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