MEMORANDUM TO RE-CHARTER A SECTION

TO: International Studies Association Governing Council
FROM: Carolyn M. Stephenson
DATE: December 26, 2010
RE: Re-charter of the International Organization Section

I, the Under-signed, in compliance with Article IV, Section 1(b) of the International Studies Association Constitution with regard to the re-chartering of International Studies Association Sections, do hereby request the International Organization Section by the International Studies Association Governing Council for the period beginning March 2011.

I have attached hereto the following items in support of this request (mark all that are applicable):

- [x] Annual Report of Section Activities
- [x] Analysis of Section Membership
- [x] Analysis of the Section Financial Base
- [x] Copy of Section Charter
- [x] List of Section Leadership with Terms of Office

DATED this 26 day of December, 2010.

_Carolyn M. Stephenson_ (Signature of Section Chair) <electronic signatures are accepted>

International Organization Section Chair
Annual Report of International Organization Section Activities 2010-2011
Submitted to ISA Governing Council for re-chartering
by section chair Carolyn Stephenson

International Organization is a healthy and active section. IO held its section business meeting Wednesday, February 17, 2010, in New Orleans, where it elected a new chair and Council members, heard reports of Program Chair and award committees and of the section’s participation in the Compendium Project. IO Section Editors reported that 12 International Organization essays appeared in the print edition of the Compendium. The section presented 49 panels in 2010, and 45 in 2009. Charter renewal is underway. The IO section held its Distinguished Scholar/Best Mentor Reception Friday, February 19, honoring Lee Gordenker, Professor Emeritus at Princeton University, following a special roundtable panel on his scholarship. The reception was co-sponsored by Routledge and the Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS). In 2011 in Montreal the International Organization section will hold its business meeting Wednesday, March 16, 12:30-1:30, and its reception Wednesday, March 16, 7:30-8:30 p.m., again co-sponsored by Routledge and ACUNS.

The section offers three awards, the Chadwick Alger Prize for the best book published in the previous year on international organization and multilateralism, the Lawrence S. Finkelstein Prize for the best graduate student paper on international organization presented at the previous ISA Annual Meeting (not awarded last year due to lack of submissions), and the Distinguished Scholar/Best Mentor Award, given every other year for research, mentoring and other service in the field of international organization (to be awarded next in 2012).

The Alger Award submission deadline was moved to December 15. This year’s committee, chaired by Michael Tierney (College of William and Mary), consists of Ian Hurd (Princeton), Valerie Sperling (Clark University), Carolyn Stephenson (University of Hawaii at Manoa), and Alex Thompson (Ohio State).

Recent award winners include:

  Alex Thompson, Channels of Power: The UN Security Council and U.S. Statecraft in Iraq (Cornell University Press. 2009)

- 2009: Co-Winners:
  Benjamin Schiff, Oberlin College, Building the International Criminal Court, (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2008)


Analysis of International Organization Section Membership

International Organization membership for the past five years is as follows:

March 2005 = 261  
March 2006 = 240  
March 2007 = 253  
March 2008 = 268  
March 2009 = 503  
March 2010 = 478

Analysis of International Organization Financial Base

According to the Treasurer’s Report prepared by then-Treasurer Eric Leonard and presented by then-Chair Roger Coate, as of December 31, 2009, the International Organization Section had a total of $12,204.53. As of that date, IO was the second wealthiest section in ISA.

From the ISA Section Account update provided by ISA headquarters for 2010, the International Organization Section continues to be the second wealthiest section in ISA. As of November 30, 2010, the Year-To-Date balance in the IO Section account was $11,763.79, with $2000 of that being support from co-sponsors for the Montreal reception.

International Organization Section Charter

Existing Charter is currently under revision. Current attached charter is outdated and will be revised according to Charter procedures by time of ISA 2011.

List of Section Leadership with Terms of Office

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