PART 1. REPORT OF SECTION ACTIVITIES

1. **Introduction.** The primary goals of the Intelligence Studies Section (ISS) are to promote scholarly research and teaching in all aspects of intelligence, to internationalize the study of intelligence, and to build healthy, collaborative relationships with other academic disciplines. In keeping with these goals, the Section continues to expand its participation in the annual ISA conference. During the past five years, the Section has sponsored a wide range of panels and roundtables, averaging over 15 per conference. The Section's 2012 conference participation continues this trend.

In keeping with the changing public perceptions and awareness of intelligence, the Section has and continues to sponsor panels and roundtables exploring themes such as intelligence ethics, intelligence services' outreach to the academic community, peacekeeping, support to nation-building and democratization, intelligence education, improvements in intelligence analysis, and the creation and development of responsible intelligence communities in other countries. Other Section panels and roundtables explore more traditional intelligence themes, such as intelligence analysis, warning, counter-terrorism, and intelligence oversight.

2. **Outstanding Student Paper Award.** In late 2009, the Section recognized scholarship undertaken by students by establishing an award for the best paper on intelligence written by an undergraduate or graduate student and presented at the annual ISA conference. The Section continues to recognize scholarship by students by continuing its best student paper award program, receiving a number of excellent submissions. The winner of the 2011 competition will be announced at the Section's business meeting in San Diego.

3. **Distinguished Scholar in Intelligence.** In 1999, the Section honored its first Distinguished Scholar in Intelligence, and has continued that tradition of recognition of lifetime excellence. Since its establishment, the Distinguished Scholar award has been presented only five times. In recognition of the growth of the field of intelligence studies, however, the section acted at the 2010 ISA conference to make the Distinguished Scholar award an annual award. At the 2011 annual convention, the Section recognized Professor Arthur Hulnick of Boston University as its fifth Distinguished Scholar honoree. The 2012 honoree will be announced at a reception in San Diego hosted by the Section.

4. **Future Focus.** The Section recognizes the contributions made by young scholars and junior academics and is exploring avenues through which students and young scholars might be encouraged, mentored, and recognized in their work. Discussions are scheduled for the annual conference in which creation of a Young Scholars Committee could be established to offer guidance, encouragement, mentoring, and recognition to those just beginning their academic careers in discipline.

In keeping with the Section's focus on the growth and development of the field of intelligence studies, ISS is encouraged by the participation in the ISA annual conference by US Intelligence agencies' recruiters and publishers. In 2010 in New Orleans, the National Defense Intelligence College (now the
National Intelligence University) maintained a table of its publications, and the Central Intelligence Agency made recruiters and personnel specialists available to interested conference attendees. At the 2012 conference, the National Security Agency's office of recruiting will also be represented. While these activities are not sponsored or coordinated with the Intelligence Studies Section, the Section recognizes that many junior scholars and graduate students have expressed interest in career opportunities in intelligence. As such, the Section has worked to include in its conference offerings panels on intelligence employment designed to offer an unbiased look at what an intelligence career requires and would entail.

The Section also plans to hold initial discussions during the 2012 ISA conference on the expansion of its efforts to recognize scholarship in the intelligence field. As such, the Section is actively seeking potential sponsors who share the goal of promoting intelligence scholarship and who might be willing to support the Section's desire to establish an annual award for the best publication on intelligence.

PART 2. SECTION MEMBERSHIP

Eight years ago, in 2005, the Intelligence Studies Section had 83 members, making it one of the smaller sections in the Association. In 2012, the section boasts 312 members, a 276% increase in the Section's size. We attribute this growth to a number of factors, including greater awareness of intelligence among scholars, the high quality of the panels and papers presented by Section members at the ISA conference, the Section's work to promote and encourage the study of intelligence among junior scholars and students, and the active participation of Section members in ISA.

PART 3. SECTION FINANCIAL STANDING

The Intelligence Studies Section maintains a healthy account balance, with Section membership dues and a $500.00 Distinguished Scholar reception sponsorship covering expenses since the Section's 2011 re-chartering. Recognizing the Section's future needs for funding above normal member dues for the best student paper and Distinguished Scholar awards, as well as for any future awards that might be established, the Section has initiated an active search for potential award and reception sponsors. Acting to ensure the continued financial well-being of the Section, the Section also established the office of ISS Secretary-Treasurer at the 2011 business meeting, electing Dr. Shlomo Shapiro of Bar Ilan University, Israel, as its first Secretary-Treasurer.

PART 4. SECTION LEADERSHIP AND TERMS OF OFFICE

The Section chair is elected to a three-year term, and is eligible for re-election once. The Section's Secretary-Treasurer is also elected by the membership to a three-year renewable term. In keeping with recent policy changes adopted by the ISA Governing Council in 2011, the Section membership will be asked to decide how it wished to restructure terms in order to comply with ISA’s five year limit at its 2012 business meeting. The Section’s Program Chair is appointed by the Section chairman to a renewable one-year term.

As of February 2012, Section leadership is vested in:

Daniel S. Gressang, Section chair, elected to a second three year term in 2011. Term ends at the annual ISA conference in 2014.
Shlomo Shpiro, Section Secretary-Treasurer, elected to a three-year term in 2011. Term expires at the annual ISA conference in 2014.

Stephen Marrin, Program Chair, appointed in 2011. Term expires at the annual ISA conference in 2012.

The Section also relies on guidance and advice from a consultive council. The council presently includes James Wirtz (Naval Postgraduate School), Jefferson Adams (Sarah Lawrence College), Michael Andregg (University of St. Thomas), Stephen Marrin (Brunel University), Lawrence Lamanna (University of Georgia), and William Nolte (University of Maryland). Kevin Hula (Loyola University) serves as the Section’s volunteer webmaster.