Strategic Intelligence Society Constitution and Bylaws

Article I: Name

The name of this organization shall be the Strategic Intelligence Society.

Article II: Purpose

The mission of the Strategic Intelligence Society is to prepare students for employment within the Intelligence Community by encouraging critical thinking that leads to the analysis of current events: specifically, the ability to discern intelligence from information within the fields of politics, technology, transnational issues, economics, and military policy.

Objective:

- To teach students to think critically and analyze current intelligence issues through participating in mock operations.
- To gain an enhanced understanding of intelligence positions through showing documentary films on intelligence and through presentations by well established, former and current collectors, analysts, and operatives.
- To provide ample extracurricular activities as a form of introductory operations training within government and intelligence service: such as self-defense classes, surveillance and surveillance detection, etc.

Article III: Membership

Section I: Membership Requirements

- Members must have beliefs, evidenced by actions, which are consistent with the Liberty University Doctrinal Statement.
- SIS encourages participation from all Majors.
- Members must be a currently registered student within any of Liberty University’s programs.

Section II: Membership Candidacy
Any person who has an expressed interest in the intelligence community may join the club provided they meet the membership requirements.

**Section III: Termination of Membership**

Membership may be terminated by the majority vote of the Executive Committee for any of the following offenses:

- Unrepentant actions inconsistent with the Liberty Way and the Liberty University Doctrinal Statement
- Academic misconduct
- Belligerent disrespect to a fellow student, faculty member, guest speaker, or any other individual

In each case, the member-in-question shall be given the opportunity to defend himself before the Executive Board.

Other reasonable causes, as determined by the Faculty Advisor or an executive officer, may be brought into consideration for the others with voting power of membership termination. Voting must result in a two-thirds majority by the Executive Board and Faculty Advisor for membership termination to occur. Votes for termination must be accompanied by a brief rationale for the voter’s stance.

**Article IV: Officers**

**Section I:** The club officers will be nominated by the faculty advisor and other officer members.

**Section II: Officer Requirements**

- Beliefs must be consistent with the Liberty Way.
- Must attend Executive Board meetings unless previously excused by the President and the Faculty Advisor - if unable to attend, shall make arrangements for a replacement.
- Must fulfill all assigned tasks.
- Must be an undergraduate full-time resident student.
- Discipline for failure to meet the above requirements may include suspension from club activities; further discipline may be enforced at the discretion of the Executive Board and the Faculty Advisor.

**Section III: Officer Duties**
• **Faculty Advisor:** The Faculty Advisor shall advise the Executive Board on all issues of its operation and shall oversee that the overall direction of the organization is consistent with the purpose found in the Constitution. He shall be a former member of the United States Intelligence Community in good standing with the Helms School of Government.

• **President:** The President shall be responsible for implementing and carrying out all decisions and policies of the organization. He or she is also Chairman of the Executive Board and presides over all general meetings. Moreover, the President shall be an ex officio member of all committees. He or she shall attend all meetings and represent the organization at all functions assigned by the Faculty Advisor.

• **Vice President:** The Vice President shall be responsible for aiding the President with decisions and taking charge of special projects within the club.

• **Secretary:** The Secretary shall maintain all minutes of the organization. He or she shall carry out all official communication and keep a roster of all active members. Additionally, the secretary shall be responsible for coordinating with the Treasurer to obtain funds to buy all materials, food, and/or drinks for events, and shall be responsible for securing rooms.

• **Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall be responsible for keeping track of all financial records, establishing a budget for the semester, and coordinating with the Student Government Association for the transfer of funds. He or she shall be responsible for picking up funds from the Student Government Association, and coordinating the allocation of funds with the President.

• **Assistant to Secretary and Treasurer:** The Assistant to Secretary and Treasurer shall be responsible for assisting both the Secretary and Treasurer. He or she may be asked to send emails, coordinate with SGA, pick up funds, assist with budgeting, and secure rooms for meetings.

• **Director of Operations:** The Director of Operations is responsible for developing mock operations for the members of the society. He or She also is in charge of tradecraft workshops. The Director of Operations also coordinates with the President in all activities.

• **Deputy Director of Operations:** The Deputy Director of Operations is responsible for assisting the Director of Operations in developing mock operations and assist in leading tradecraft workshops. The Deputy Director of Operations also coordinates with the President when the Director is unavailable.

• **Assistant Director of Operations:** The Assistant to the Director of Operations is responsible for assisting the Director of Operations and the Deputy Director of Operations in developing mock operations and assists with tradecraft workshops. If the case arises that the Director and the Deputy are unavailable to coordinate with the President the assistant will coordinate between the President and operations.
Section IV: Executive Board

The President, The Vice President, Director of Operations, Deputy Director of Operations, Treasurer, Secretary, Assistant to the Secretary and the Treasurer, and Advisors comprise the Executive Board.

Section V: Selection of Officers

Members of the Executive Board and the Faculty Advisor will nominate potential club officers. New officers must be approved by an overall consensus of the current officers and the Faculty Advisor. Officers may serve on temporary status if approved by the Executive Board and the Faculty Advisor. Nominees will be selected and considered by members of the Executive Board. The current President shall preside over the selection process. All necessary selections shall take place before the end of the academic year. All new officers will assume their roles at the conclusion of the current semester.

Section VI: Impeachment of Officers

Impeachment proceedings against a student-officer shall begin by another member of the Executive Board for negligence or misconduct. The Executive Board (not including the officer-in-question) shall take the issue to the Faculty Advisor, and seek his counsel in the matter. If it is decided that the officer in question should be removed from leadership, the Faculty Advisor shall quietly dismiss the officer.

Section VII: Vacancy

In the event of an officer position vacancy, the Faculty Advisor and Executive Board shall appoint a temporary replacement to fill the vacancy until the end of the academic year.

Section VIII: Understudy and Advisor Positions

- Understudy positions will be created and filled as deemed necessary by the respective officers in order to train suitable replacements as well as assist the primary officers in their specific roles and functions. Understudy positions are recommended to include Deputy Director of Operations. A Vice President position will be created and sustained.
- Advisor positions will consist of graduate students or intelligence professionals to offer experienced and educated counsel. Advisors will be temporary and appointed by the Executive Board.
Article V: Meetings

- **Required Board Meetings for Officers:** Meet as frequently as determined necessary by the SIS officers. Begin every meeting with prayer. Review minutes from previous meeting. It is recommended that the Executive Board meet at least once per month in the Helms School of Government.

- **Voluntary Membership Meetings:** Meetings are suggested to take place at least once per month, consisting of a guest speaker or activities. The place of meeting will be dependent upon its purpose and function.

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