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FROM THE DIRECTOR
SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE INSTITUTE

As I contemplate my final year at the helm of INSCT, I proudly point to many achievements that have made the Institute an international leader in graduate and legal education, law and policy research, and public service in the field of national security and counterterrorism.

Over the past 14 years, INSCT experts have published numerous books, casebooks, chapters, and articles; they have been regularly tapped by conferences and media to discuss pressing security issues; student research is in demand by government agencies and top consultancy firms; alumni are becoming leaders in the government, military, and private sectors; and cutting-edge research projects continue to expand the field’s boundaries.

This year’s annual report is a showcase for our portfolio of projects. Four pages are devoted to staff and faculty publications, presentations, and media appearances on subjects ranging from Islamic jurisprudence and executive power to “low-tech terrorism” and unlocking smartphones. You can read about student research that will influence CVE policy at the US Department of Homeland Security, while two pages of alumni news only scratch the surface of their career achievements—there is much more on our alums at insct.syr.edu.

In September 2016, our signature New Battlefields/Old Laws (NBOL) project investigated the “legal triggers of war” on modern, asymmetric battlefields. My final year as INSCT’s Director will coincide with NBOL’s 10th anniversary. In September 2017, I look forward to both a celebration and a compelling workshop in Herzliya, Israel, as NBOL continues to illuminate a path for legal scholars navigating the complex laws of armed conflict.

I remain pragmatic when it comes to the Institute’s future and the challenges ahead for my successor. As I work with a University leadership team to identify the best candidates to head INSCT, the biggest challenge ahead will be securing resources in order to grow. In my final year, I will devote much of my time to securing these resources. For instance, INSCT faculty and staff will teach more executive education-type classes to non-matriculated students. We’ll also do more online teaching of the kind that Professor William C. Snyder pioneered with his cybersecurity course.

When I began researching and teaching national security law 30 years ago, the most pressing security threat was nuclear war. That changed on Sept. 11, 2001. Today, the array of security threats my successor at INSCT must contemplate is broader than ever, encompassing not only counterterrorism, asymmetric warfare, and the laws of war but also cyberespionage, privacy and surveillance, humanitarian law, public health law, disaster management, civil-military relations, immigration law, and areas of the law just being defined, such as the law of unmanned aerial vehicles. INSCT’s engagement with these and other topics can be found throughout this report.

One of the most noteworthy of INSCT’s accomplishments should probably be counted as three. Our certificates of advanced study in national security and counterterrorism law, security studies, and postconflict reconstruction are some of the most concrete measures of the Institute’s success. This year, we added 33 certificate holders to an alumni base of more than 600. Our alumni show us—by the strength of their community, the growth of their careers, and their continued support—that we are on to something.

WILLIAM C. BANKS
An interdisciplinary team of University cybersecurity, engineering, economics, and law experts are conducting research into various “two-way, distributed” energy market designs to assess potential security and privacy risks inherent in each and the trade-offs between reducing risk and optimizing market performance. Funded with a $344,184 grant from the National Science Foundation, the team is drawn from the University’s School of Information Studies (iSchool), College of Engineering and Computer Science (ECS), Maxwell School, and College of Law. It will employ mixed methods to conduct the market assessment, including interviews, market structure and data flow modeling, simulations using real world electricity use data, and security threat analysis.

The results of this two-year project, which began in October 2016, will provide guidance to policymakers, regulators, and market participants so that an effective market can be designed for a two-way, distributed smart grid, one that incorporates necessary security and privacy protections without burdening the market’s function.

INSCT Assistant Director Keli A. Perrin has been tasked with drafting privacy impact assessments (PIAs) for proposed markets.

IN MAY 2016, INSCT CONTINUED ITS collaboration with the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate by joining “The Prevention Project,” directed by former US Department of State counterterrorism official Eric Rosand through the Global Center on Cooperative Security.

Other partners are Emory University, George Washington University Program on Extremism, Mercy Corps, and the US Department of Homeland Security Strategic Partnerships with Colleges and Universities.

The project supports UN Member States’ countering violent extremism (CVE) and foreign terrorism fighters (FTF) efforts to deal constructively with citizens who travel to fight with extremist and terrorist organizations, by developing effective community-led and, where appropriate, legal and administrative rehabilitation and reintegration programs.

2016-2017 FTF/CVE-RELATED SCHOLARSHIP

Emergent International CVE Legal and Policy Architecture—INSCT Director of Research Corri Zoli and Faculty Member Nathan Sales presented this topic at “Building Off-Ramps and Reintegrating Foreign Fighters and Terrorist Offenders,” a June 2016 George Washington University workshop that brought together civil society practitioners, policymakers, and issue experts to highlight lessons learned from extant rehabilitation and reintegration programs. Participants enumerated a series of practical recommendations for stakeholders to consider as they seek to enhance the effectiveness of this critical element of the CVE tool-kit.

Understanding Interdisciplinary Responses to International Terrorism and Violent Extremisms (April 28, 2017)—Students in Corri Zoli’s National Security and Counterterrorism Research Center presented research findings in a public SU Law workshop. Topics included the role of the UN in crafting international counterterrorism policy; women’s leadership roles in terrorist organizations; the importance of anti-extremist K-12 educational programs; cross-cultural perspectives on CVE programs that work in other countries; the experience of vulnerable communities with CVE in the US; the challenge of implementing counterterrorist and counter-extremist laws and statutes; and the role of “hard” and “soft” power CVE mechanisms, including drones.

Corri Zoli gave two presentations on CVE-related topics in 2016-2017. In October 2016, she discussed recent trends in terrorist activity, especially in Europe, in “Low-Tech Terrorism: Changing Patterns of Global Conflict and Response” at a meeting of the Victims of Pan Am Flight 103 (Syracuse University). In February 2017, she tackled Islamism’s role among terrorists in the lecture “Radical Islam and National Security Strategy: Toward a Better Definition of Contemporary Terrorism” at The Century Club in Syracuse NY.

Zachary Lucas (LAW ’17) and undergraduate Pauline Mabie discuss K-12 CVE programs at an April 2017 workshop at SU Law.
INSCT Director William C. Banks moderated the New Battlefields/Old Laws discussion on “Legal Triggers of War on New Battlefields” at the 2016 World Summit on Counter-Terrorism.

LAWS OF WAR

NBOL 2016: LEGAL TRIGGERS OF WAR ON NEW BATTLEFIELDS

ONE OF INSCT’S SIGNATURE PROJECTS, New Battlefields/Old Laws (NBOL) has grown since 2007 into a series of workshops and publications that reexamine the application of centuries-old customs and laws of armed conflict in the age of asymmetric warfare.

From Sept 11 to 13, 2016, NBOL once again convened at the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism’s (ICT) 20th Anniversary World Summit on Counter-Terrorism, which was devoted to discussions of past, present, and future counterterrorism efforts to address “Unpuzzling Terrorism.”

NBOL was included in a series of ICT 2016 workshops devoted to the discussion of the broader context of terrorism and counterterrorism, examining emerging fields and new trends in the academic study of terrorism and its responses.

Along with moderator Banks, NBOL participants discussed the “Legal Triggers of War on New Battlefields” and in particular the question, “What conditions permit a nation state to use force in response to attacks by non-state terrorists?”

NBOL 2016 DISCUSSANTS

>> Dr. Daphné Richemond-Barak, Senior Researcher, ICT
>> Maj. Gen. (Res.) Yoram “Yaya” Yair, Former Commander, Lebanese Sector and Syrian Front, Israel Defense Forces
>> Laurie Blank, Director, International Humanitarian Law Clinic, Emory Law School
>> Col. (Res. Adv.) Daniel Reisner, Former Head, International Law Branch, IDF Legal Division
>> Nathan A. Sales, Associate Professor, SU College of Law

TRANSFORMING INTRACTABLE CONFLICTS


For this interdisciplinary conference—“Transforming Intractable Conflicts: Their Restructuring and Reframing”—PARCC partnered with The Tami Steinmetz Center for Peace Research. Other INSCT affiliated faculty members presenting were:

>> Robert Rubinstein, “Structural Violence in Syracuse,” with Sandra D. Lane, Timothy Jennings-Bey, and Arnett Haygood-El”
>> Margaret Hermann, “Black Spots: Rethinking Sovereignty and the Illicit Global Economy”

TRANSFORMING INTRACTABLE CONFLICTS

INSCT Faculty Member David M. Crane, Immediate Past Chair of the Robert H. Jackson Center in Jamestown, NY, helped host the center’s 10th International Humanitarian Law (IHL) Dialogs in Nuremberg, Germany, from Sept. 29 to 30, 2017. The keynote address was given by US Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch (see photo below).

As in previous years, the IHL Dialogs gathered international prosecutors to discuss themes in international law and postconflict justice. This year, the dialogs also marked 70 years ago since the judgment was handed down in the storied International Military Tribunal, held in Nuremberg after World War II. The Jackson Center is dedicated to the life and work of the US Chief of Counsel at the tribunal.

In the second photo below, Crane is seen at the dialogs with Impunity Watch President Darienn Powers (LAW ’17), a recipient of a 2017 Certificate of Advanced Study in National Security and Counterterrorism Law.
**CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS**

**EXPLORING THE FUTURE DOMESTIC ROLES OF THE AMERICAN MILITARY**

PUBLISHED IN 2016, **SOLDIERS ON THE HOME FRONT: The Domestic Role of the American Military**—co-authored by INSCT Director William C. Banks and Stephen Dycus of Vermont Law School—is the first book to systematically analyze the role of the US military on home soil as it is shaped by law.

The book surveys America’s history of judicial decisions, constitutional provisions, statutes, regulations, military orders, and martial law, asking what the nation must learn and do before the next domestic crisis.

Given the 2016 presidential election, change of administration, and wave of terrorism attacks in the West, it was an auspicious time to publish this analysis.

In addition to high-profile reviews—in forums such as *Secrecy News* and *Lawfare*—Banks was in high demand at universities and other institutions to discuss civil-military relations, homeland security, constitutional law, and the rule of law.

**SOLDIERS ON THE HOME FRONT-RELATED DISCUSSIONS IN 2016-2017**

- **Homeland Security Law Institute** (Aug. 24-25, 2016)—At this Washington, DC, ABA-sponsored conference, Banks moderated “The Role of the Military in Homeland Defense.” Discussants—John Gereski, Jeffrey Greene, Paul Rosenzweig, and Karl F. Schneider—explored the question “What are the likely future domestic roles and missions of the US military, and how will they be governed by law?”

- **Hoover Institution** (Nov. 14, 2016)—At the Washington, DC, “Security by the Book Series,” *Lawfare*’s Ben Wittes interviewed Banks about the legal dynamics that shape the domestic role of the American military and how, in a time when the military’s domestic footprint is expanding, will we establish best practices for military responses to future crises?

- **ABA SCOLANS** (Nov. 14-15, 2016)—Banks was a featured moderator at the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security Annual Review of the Field of National Security Law, also in Washington, DC. His panel examined “Legal Issues in Civilian/Military Relations for the 21st Century Moderator.” Discussants were Col. Harold McCracken, USA Staff Judge Advocate, NORAD and US NORTHCOM, and M. Tia Johnson, Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, US Department of Homeland Security.

- **Association of American Law Schools** (Jan. 5, 2017)—“Domestic Responses to Declared and Undeclared National Security Emergencies” was a timely topic for this panel given the state of emergency declared in France after the November 2015 Paris terrorist attacks, the ongoing state of emergency in the US with regard to cybersecurity, and the use of emergency-like powers for counterterrorism in India and other countries.

NATIONAL SECURITY SCHOLARSHIP

BERLIN FUND RESEARCH EXAMINES CIVIL SOCIETY, POST-COLONIALISM, UN MEDIATION, & MORE

AN ENDOWMENT GIFT TO FUND faculty and graduate student research relating to issues of national security was given to the Maxwell School in 2010 by University Trustee Andrew T. Berlin (’83). The Andrew Berlin Family National Security Research Fund was established in honor of Professor David H. Bennett and operates through INSCT.

To date, INSCT has awarded projects that analyze internal displacement during civil wars, nuclear command and control issues in India and Pakistan, the use of social technologies in homeland emergencies and disasters, the origins of American counterterrorism regimes from the Anarchist period onward, the spread of war fighting systems from the West to the Indo-Pacific, and “American Exceptionalism” and counterterrorism.

2017 STUDENT DISSERTATION WORKSHOP

In March 31, 2017, INSCT hosted a day-long workshop for Ph.D. candidates—mediated by faculty members Colin Elman and Brian Taylor—in which the Maxwell School students discussed their security-related dissertation chapters:

>> “Civilian Coups: Militarized Parties and Politicized Militaries in Post-Colonial Iraq and Syria”
   Drew H. Kinney

>> “Recrafting the Peace Table? Gender and UN Mediation Discourse”
   Catriona Standfield

>> “Networks of Meaning and Domestic Right-Wing Violence: White Supremacist Responses to Immigration Reform in the US”
   Jason Blessing and Elise Roberts

INSTITUTION FOR NATIONAL SECURITY AND CIVIL TRANSCENDENCE

RULE OF LAW

A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION “AFTER-ACTION REVIEW”

Four experts unpacked the “National Security Implications of the Presidential Election” at Syracuse Law on Nov. 9, 2016.

W. George Jameson, former Director, Office of Policy and Coordination, CIA, joined INSCT Director William C. Banks, Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett, and Faculty Member Nathan Sales, the day after Donald J. Trump defeated Hillary R. Clinton in the Electoral College.

Murrett started the discussion with an overview of global security challenges the new administration must address. Jameson began his talking points with the metaphorical observation that Clinton’s shock defeat was like watching Bill Buckner’s ground ball fielding error in Game 6 of the 1986 World Series. He also reminded the audience that, no matter the outcome of the election, civil society must necessarily continue: “Americans voted and now they expect people to get on with it,” he said.

Banks noted that there will be a lot of uncertainty about how candidate Trump will transform into President Trump. “One of the things that’s going to be at a premium in the next four years is the rule of law,” Banks said. “The rule of law can save us from a bad president, but only if practiced, adhered to, and advocated by lots of people who have a deep commitment to our norms and values.”
ATROCITY LAW
DAVID M. CRANE HELPS DRAFT UN "SYRIAN ACCOUNTABILITY CENTER" RESOLUTION

Over the past six years INSTC Faculty Member David M. Crane has kept track of the evidence of atrocities committed on all sides of the Syrian Civil War, with help from the INICST-supported Syrian Accountability Project (SAP). In 2016, Crane began pushing the international community to make further use of his students’, and others’, documentation of war crimes and crimes against humanity by establishing an “International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Those Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes Under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic Since March 2011.”

Thanks in part to Crane’s work, the UN General Assembly passed a resolution using this language on Dec. 21, and, furthermore, it established “a special team to collect, consolidate, preserve and analyze evidence” as well as … prepare cases on war crimes and human rights abuses committed during the conflict in Syria.”

According to Crane, this new Accountability Center will work “in accordance with international standards, in national, regional or international courts or tribunals that have or may in the future have jurisdiction over these crimes.”

As part of its collection process, SAP analyses and white papers will be logged at the Accountability Center.

HUMANITARIAN LAW & POLICY
EXAMINING THE ROLE OF POLITICS, JUSTICE, & THE MEDIA IN THE SYRIAN CIVIL WAR

CO-SPONSORED BY THE CAROL BECKER Middle East Security Speaker Series, “Running for Cover: Politics, Justice, and Media in the Syrian Conflict”—held at Newhouse School on Oct. 6, 2017—was a cross-disciplinary dialogue on the ways that political science, international law, and journalism are addressing the six-year-long civil war.

The conflict in Syria has touched off a storm of challenges for the international community, spurring a conversation across many disciplines about how we can find ways to motivate nations and people to help restore order and political stability to the country. Among the experts addressing these critical topics were:

>> INSTC Director William C. Banks and Faculty Member Mehrzad Boroujerdi, who spoke on the panel “The Geopolitical Situation in Syria.”
>> INSTC Faculty Member David M. Crane, who spoke on the panel “Accountability for Atrocity.”

In addition, INSTC Faculty Member Ken Harper curated a powerful photo exhibit at Newhouse featuring the work of those directly affected by the conflict, including children from Kawergosk Refugee Camp in northern Iraq (part of the Reza Visual Academy).

SAP PUBLISHES TWO WHITE PAPERS IN SPRING 2017

The INSTC-supported Syrian Accountability Project (SAP) produces non-partisan analysis of open source materials relevant to war crimes and crimes against humanity perpetrated in the Syrian Civil War. It catalogs that information relative to the Geneva Conventions, the Rome Statute, and Syrian Penal Law, sending its work to clients such as the Syrian National Council, United Nations, US Department of State, and International Criminal Court.


Covered in Dust, Veiled by Shadow: The Siege and Destruction of Aleppo (April 27, 2017) This paper examines six categories of incidents during the siege that are representative of the violations visited upon innocent civilians: indiscriminate shelling, barrel bombing, use of chemical weapons, attacks on humanitarian and medical operations, and extrajudicial killings.
IN JANUARY 2017, AN INSCT PROJECT to support the integration of unmanned aerial systems (UAS, or “drones”) into New York communities was named as one of six projects across the University’s schools and colleges that together were awarded more than $230,000 in funding.

For the INSCT project—“Law and Policy of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles”—the Principal Investigator is INSCT Director William C. Banks, who is joined by Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett, Assistant Director Keli A. Perrin, Research and Practice Associate Laurie Hobart, and faculty members Nathan A. Sales, William C. Snyder, and Tina Nabatchi.

INSCT’s project will develop a policy and legal framework that supports the use of various types of UAS throughout the state, while ensuring public safety, protecting civil liberties, and promoting industrial growth.

The funding was awarded after a call for proposals went out to researchers across the University from the SU College of Engineering and Computer Science, in collaboration with the SU Office of Research, to stimulate research and industry collaboration in the UAS field.

The core funding comes from a portion of Phase 1 of New York State Gov. Andrew Cuomo’s Upstate Revitalization Initiative, as well as supplemental funding from the Office of Research. Central New York was one of three Upstate regions awarded $500 million in 2015 for various projects as part of the initiative.

NAVIGATING DRONES THROUGH THE LEGAL LANDSCAPE

As part of its Law and Policy of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) research work, on March 10, 2017, INSCT hosted a workshop for policymakers, lawyers, engineers, and other professionals to analyze how non-military drones will be regulated at the state and municipal level in the future.

Moderated by INSCT Faculty Member Nathan Sales and Katie B. Thomson, former FAA Chief Counsel, issues tackled in the workshop included preemption, privacy and surveillance, and the regulation of airspace. Specifically, the group engaged in robust discussion around several critical questions, including:

- >> If a state wants to legislate, how can legislation be crafted to avoid preemption?
- >> What areas related to private individual and commercial use of UAS are the most likely to withstand preemption challenges?
- >> What is the best way to provide notice and protection from non-government surveillance in both private and public spaces?
- >> What role do state and local governments have in regulating mass data collection?

At INSCT’s March 26, 2017, public forum to discuss the “Law and Policy of Unmanned Aircraft Systems,” members of the public were provided facts and advice about current local, state, and national drone regulations and asked for their opinion (as part of a qualitative study) about the future of UAS use, as well as privacy, safety, and surveillance matters that concern them.

The volunteer participants learned that advocates predict that UAS will enable high-impact research, create new jobs and industries, save lives, and provide scientific, economic, and social benefits. Critics, they discovered, worry about the societal implications of cheaper, easier-to-use, aerial surveillance tools in the hands of so many more people.

Like the policy workshop held at SU Law earlier in the month (see story at left), this workshop—held in Fayetteville, NY—is part of a New York State/Syracuse University research project to explore legal, policy, and community issues surrounding the increased use of “drones” by the government, law enforcement, emergency managers, businesses, farmers, surveyors, hobbyists, and others.
During the fall semester, INSCT staff and faculty assisted colleagues and affiliated programs across the University by presenting to mid-career professionals on a range of law and policy issues:

>> In October and November 2016, INSCT Assistant Director Keli A. Perrin and Faculty Member William C. Snyder presented on US law to Shenzhen City government officials as part of Maxwell School’s Metropolitan Governance and the Rule of Law Program. The Maxwell School has been a key training institution for the Metropolitan Project of the Shenzhen City Government since August 2007.

>> In October 2016, INSCT Director of Research Corri Zoli and W. Michael Short (‘10), Founder, Global Social Enterprise Institute, discussed public-private partnerships at Syracuse University’s annual Public Diplomacy Symposium. Zoli explained her work evaluating the US Office of Global Partnerships Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves (GACC) as a model for other US Department of State international aid and development initiatives to advance US foreign policy objectives.

>> In November 2016, Corri Zoli lectured to a group of international journalists on “US Presidential Elections: New Nationalisms, Return to Realism, or Internationalism?” This presentation was part of the US Department of State Edward R. Murrow Program for Journalists at the Maxwell School.

INSCT COLLABORATES WITH CCDCOE ON TALLINN MANUAL 2.0

INSCT BEGAN A COLLABORATION with the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Center of Excellence (CCDCOE), based in Tallinn, Estonia, in 2015. The authors of the Tallinn Manual on International Law Applicable to Cyber Warfare, CCDCOE is at the forefront of understanding the challenges of applying existing international laws and norms to the cyber realm.


In February, INSCT Director William C. Banks joined colleagues at the University of Texas Law Robert Strauss Center to discuss “Tallinn Manual 2.0 on the International Law Applicable to Cyber Operations.” Banks spoke on the panel “Responding to Cyber Operations Not Amounting to an Armed Attack Under Article 51” with CPT Robert Lawless and Michael Schmitt, both of USMA. Among other discussants were thought-leaders who have worked most closely with INSCT on cyberespionage and human rights in cyberspace issues: Jack Goldsmith of Harvard Law School, Jens Ohlin of Cornell Law School, and Liis Vihul of CCDCOE.

The product of three years’ work, Tallinn Manual 2.0 addresses cybersecurity as it relates to sovereignty, state responsibility, human rights, and the laws of air, space, and the sea.

EXPLORING CIVIL SOCIETY

Visiting students from INSCT partner the Interdisciplinary Center in Herzliya, Israel, pose with INSCT Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett at the Genesee Grand Hotel, Syracuse, NY, on Sept. 24, 2016. Murrett hosted a breakfast meeting with the students to mark their last day on the University campus. During their visit, Murrett and the students visited local civil society institutions, including the Syracuse VA Medical Center. The students then traveled to Washington, DC, accompanied by Murrett, to visit INSCT partner the Center for Strategic and International Studies.
INTERDISCIPLINARY SCHOLARSHIP

JNSLP CONTINUES TO PROVIDE IMPACTFUL ANALYSIS

IN 2003, LEADING NATIONAL SECURITY scholars created the Journal of National Security Law & Policy (JNSLP) with support from the ABA Standing Committee on Law and National Security. The Institute has been a co-publisher of JNSLP since 2009, first with the University of the Pacific McGeorge School of Law and then with Georgetown Law. Currently, INSCT Director William C. Banks is the journal’s Editor-in-Chief.

JNSLP is the world’s only peer-reviewed journal devoted exclusively to security law and policy issues. Reviewers include distinguished members of the journal’s editorial board, as well as law professors, academics from other disciplines, and members of the military, intelligence, law enforcement, and civil liberties communities.

The Washington & Lee School of Law Library, which ranks hundreds of law journals, places JNSLP in several of its categories, including international law; public policy, politics, and the law; and war, conflicts, and the military. As testament to the journal’s editorial mission and the quality of its submissions, it is consistently ranked in the top 15 of these categories for “impact” and “currency.”

THREE 2016-2017 JNSLP ISSUES

> Developed from the 2015 JNSLP symposium “Trials and Terrorism: The Implications of Trying National Security Cases in Article III Courts,” Vol. 8, No. 2 features articles by Trey Herr and Paul Rosenzweig, Stephen L. Schooner and Nathaniel E. Castellano, and Michael Price. In the lead article, the Hon. Lewis A. Kaplan reviews several judicial challenges unique to terrorism cases, including classification and the use of defendants’ statements. He concludes that Article III courts not only are capable of trying such cases, but they are the forum most consistent with our American values of fairness and transparency.

> Vol. 8, No. 3 examines multiple facets of cyberlaw, such as human rights in cyberspace, cyberwar, international law and cyberespionage, and cyber surveillance. Featured authors include Jennifer Daskal (on challenges facing law enforcement access to data across borders); Gabor Rona and Lauren Aarons (on how international human rights law applies to cyberspace); and David Kris (on recent developments in foreign intelligence surveillance).

> Exploring several aspects intelligence and military strategy, Vol. 9, No. 1 topics include the effects of “lawfare” and international humanitarian law on countries’ strategic military decisions and the extent of the legal authority granted to the CIA to undertake covert actions that violate international treaties. The issue also contains two articles developed from JNSLP’s 2016 symposium—“Strengthening National Security by Protecting Public Health”—including a keynote by Professor Lawrence Gostin, who advocates for strengthening global health security institutions in order to better prepare for future pandemics.

JNSLP.com
Students received 2017 certificates of advanced study in National Security and Counterterrorism Law at an April 2017 ceremony in Dineen Hall, SU Law.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED STUDY**

**NATIONAL SECURITY & COUNTERTERRORISM LAW**

DEVELOPED BY INSCT DIRECTOR William C. Banks—who literally “wrote the book” on national security and counterterrorism law—the Certificate of Advanced Study (CAS) in National Security and Counterterrorism Law is an interdisciplinary, 15-credit program of study for law and graduate students.

In April 2017, 12 students received their advanced certificates at the INSCT Certificate Recognition Ceremony. They joined 228 other national security and counterterrorism certificate alumni who have received an essential grounding in all aspects of national security, including cybersecurity, intelligence, civil-military relations, countering violent extremism, defense policy, laws of war, human rights, surveillance, atrocity law, and more.

Interdisciplinary core courses—with their calibrated mix of classroom instruction and real-world experience—give students a solid understanding of the framework of national security and, importantly, how the law intersects with security and foreign policy decisions:

- Central Challenges in National Security Law and Policy
- Counterterrorism and the Law
- Cybersecurity Law and Policy/Information Security Policy
- Foreign Relations Law
- National Security and Counterterrorism Research Center
- National Security Law

The success of this program is measured not only in its alumni numbers but also in the international network they have formed as they build careers throughout the public and private sectors, at (most recently) the American Society for International Law, Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer, Deloitte, National Defense University, US Customs and Border Protection, US DOJ Criminal Division, Executive Office of the US President, The World Bank, and elsewhere.
CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED STUDY

CAS IN SECURITY STUDIES

SECURITY STUDIES COURSEWORK includes interdisciplinary academics, team-taught classes, simulations, field trips, and client-focused research projects, allowing students to collaborate across a spectrum of sub-topics, including homeland security, defense strategy, international relations, peace and conflict studies, mass communication, and cybersecurity.

In April 2017, 18 graduate and law students were awarded a certificate in Security Studies, joining a cohort of 319 alumni who work throughout the world for organizations in the public, private, military, and non-profit sectors. Those recently reporting employment to INSCT are making a difference at Airbus, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Global Health Action, International Justice Mission, Mandiant, National Nuclear Security Administration, Signal Group Consulting, US Department of State, US Executive Office Cyber and National Security Unit, and The World Bank.

INSCT’s Security Studies alumni form an extended, active, and influential network, boosting INSCT’s reputation as a “go to” organization for training the next generation of security sector scholars and practitioners.

Explains Colin Tansits (JD/MPA ’17): “As a Security Studies student, I was able to learn from experts in national security and intelligence, and working with Bill Banks and David Crane gave me unique opportunities to explore domestic and international legal issues. The connections I made with students and professors will be essential to building my future professional network.”

CAS IN POSTCONFLICT RECONSTRUCTION

In April 2017 INSCT awarded certificates of advanced study in Postconflict Reconstruction (PCR) to three students, although prior appointments meant that only Olga Boichuk (MPA ’15) was able to attend the INSCT Recognition Ceremony in April. She is pictured with (L to R) INSCT Faculty Member Brian Taylor, Director of Research Corri Zoli, and Director William C. Banks.

The CAS in PCR provides students a familiarization with the various dimensions of postconflict work, the actors who conduct it, the trade-offs and dilemmas they face, and the lessons learned from its application. Specific topics covered include international law, human rights, refugee law, peace studies, international relations, humanitarian relief, the economics of development, and capacity-building.
INSCT Graduate Study Abroad Program students and others on a summer 2016 field trip in Israel organized by Mitvim, one of INSCT’s partner institutions in the area.

STUDY ABROAD
STUDYING SECURITY IN ISRAEL & PALESTINE

INSCT’S PROGRAM ON SECURITY IN the Middle East is a multi-part, international, interdisciplinary initiative that takes a cross-cultural approach to understanding the historical and religious complexities; the political, economic, and social challenges; and the legal, policy, and military realities that impact this region.

The initiative’s combination of research, dialogue, and immersive educational opportunities includes a speaker series and the Graduate Study Abroad program. The study abroad program consists of a three-week executive Counterterrorism Studies course at the International Institute for Counterterrorism (ICT) in Herzliya, Israel, and “The Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process in Regional and Domestic Context,” a short course offered by Mitvim, the Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies.

The Program on Security in the Middle East is supported by alumni and friends—in particular Gerald B. Cramer (’52) and Carol Becker (’76)—who share the belief that facilitating direct student engagement with the complex issues facing the Middle East is the best way to create effective leaders.

SUMMER 2016 STUDY ABROAD FELLOWS

> Carol Becker Fellows: Martha Courtney Biede, Alexandra Daniels, John Gall

CAPSTONE PROJECTS
THEORY BECOMES PRACTICE

For several years, during the Maymester, INSCT Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett has taught a core component of the Master’s of Public Administration degree: the MPA Workshop.

Considered a “capstone,” this one-credit course provides graduate students with the opportunity to apply what they have learned in a professional setting and develop skills essential to careers in public service.

Developed for real-world clients in the government, nonprofit, and private sectors, previous INSCT-led capstone projects have provided law and policy guidance for the US House of Representatives Homeland Security Committee, New America Foundation, New York State Office of Emergency Management, Project on National Security Reform, and UN Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee.

In May 2016, Murrett led three projects, for the Institute for Defense Analyses, RAND Corporation, and Syracuse VA Medical Center. The photo above shows those students with Washington, DC, clients in the capital ready to present their research.

LEARNING TO LEAD

The Maxwell School Executive Leadership Seminar relies on the unparalleled managerial, negotiation, and ethical expertise of INSCT Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett, whose US Navy career saw him hold several top leadership positions, including Director of the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

During the summer 2016 seminar, Murrett organized visits from (top) Maxwell School alumni working in public administration and (bottom) University Chancellor Kent Syverud, who discussed his public service as one of two independent trustees of the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Trust.
INSCT EVENTS FALL 2016 & SPRING 2017

CAROL BECKER MIDDLE EAST SECURITY SPEAKER SERIES

Gilead Sher, Director, Center for Applied Negotiations, has spent his career at the center of Israeli-Palestinian peace negotiations. Sher shared his observations and wisdom with students, faculty, and members of the public in a September 2017 lecture at the Maxwell School.

National Security for Israel in an Unstable Middle East: Prospects for a Two-State Reality
Sept. 8, 2016
Gilead Sher, Director, Center for Applied Negotiations and Senior Research Fellow, Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv University

Running for Cover: Politics, Justice and Media in the Syrian Conflict
Sept. 16, 2016
>> William C. Banks, Director, INSCT
>> David M. Crane, Professor of Practice, SU Law
>> Mehrzad Boroujerdi, Chair, Department of Political Science, Maxwell School

New Allies in an Ancient Conflict Zone: The Middle East of Today and Tomorrow
April 4, 2017

Israel’s Supreme Court Counterterrorism Jurisprudence: Mitigating Harm, But at What Cost?
April 17, 2017
Yuval Shany, Hersch Lauterpacht Chair in Public International Law, Hebrew University

DAVID F. EVERETT POSTCONFLICT RECONSTRUCTION SPEAKER SERIES

Corruption: Sand in the Gears of Afghan Reconstruction
Oct. 5, 2016
John F. Sopko, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction

So, You Want to Work in International Development?
Oct. 26, 2016
Dana Abro (MPA ’09), Regional Security Adviser, Peace Corps

INSC Faculty Member Renée de Nevers introduced a very special guest in October 2016. John F. Sopko, Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, spoke about his work tackling corruption and his public service responsibilities during a fascinating discussion in the Maxwell school. Accompanying Sopko was INSCT alumna Alexandra Hackbarth (MPA/MAIR ’15), SIGAR’s Congressional Liaison.

OTHER EVENTS

Cyber at NATO: The Operational Domain Challenge
Oct. 24, 2016
Siim Alatulu, Head of International Relations, NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Center of Excellence

National Security Implications of the Presidential Election
>> William C. Banks, Director, INSCT
>> W. George Jameson, former Director, Office of Policy & Coordination, CIA

ALUMNI SPEAKERS RETURNING TO SHARE THEIR INSIGHTS

The Institute is always proud to welcome back members of its 600 plus alumni community, especially when they can share their professional expertise.

In 2016-2017, three alums spoke at INSCT events. Siim Alatulu (MAIR ’06; top picture) discussed NATO policy toward cybersecurity in October. In the same month, Dana Abro (MPA ’09) shared her insights on international public service careers.

In addition, INSCT alumna Elizabeth Irwin (MAIR ’14) spoke at the March SATSA conference on cybersecurity. Irwin is International Affairs Program Manager at the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications, US Department of Homeland Security.
Among the insights Russian journalist Alex Golts provided about the Russian military during his March 2017 talk was that the weakness of the Russian standing Army has lead in part to a Russian interest in cyber and information warfare, an emerging threat Europe and the United States have had to contend with during general elections in 2016 and 2017.

On April 10, 2017, three of INSCT’s international law and policy experts discussed the operational, strategic, and legal context of the recent Sarin gas attack on his own people by Bashar Assad of Syria and the response by US President Donald J. Trump, a missile strike against a Syrian airfield.

The standing-room-only, interdisciplinary audience heard from William C. Banks, Director, INSCT; Robert B. Murret, Deputy Director, INSCT; and University Professor James B. Steinberg.

After an overview of the incident’s law, policy, and military aspects, students’ questions ranged from the legality of the action under international law, to what response Russia will choose, to whether or not the US Congress will create a new Authorization for the Use of Military Force to address US humanitarian action in Syria.
WILLIAM C. BANKS


DAVID M. CRANE


“First It’s the Muslims: An Evolution to Dictatorship.” Jurist (Feb 3, 2017).


TARA HELFMAN


CATHERINE BERTINI


LAURYN GOULDIN


AZRA HROMADZIC


ANDREW KIM


LOUIS KREISBERG


CORRI ZOLI


“Military Culture and Humanitarian Actions: Short-Term Gains and Long-Term Losses.” In Lost in Translation. Ed. H.C. Breede. (Forthcoming, with R. Rubinstein.)


INSCT PRESENTATIONS MAY 2016-MAY 2017

WILLIAM C. BANKS
“Attribution of Cyber Attacks and Tallinn 2.0.” University of Texas Law (Feb. 6-7, 2017).

ROBERT B. MURRETT

DAVID M. CRANE
“A Lasting Legacy for the Future.” International Humanitarian Law Dialogs, Nuremberg, Germany (Sept. 29-30, 2016).

KELI A. PERRIN

NATHAN A. SALES

CORRI ZOLI
“Global Empirical Conflict Trends and Terrorism.” Transforming Intractable Conflicts, Syracuse University (Sept. 22-24, 2016).
WILLIAM C. BANKS

Carter Page & FISA: Voice of America, Wired
Cyberwar: San Diego Union-Tribune
Guantánamo Bay: La Razón
Low-Tech Terrorism: Marketplace
Mike Flynn Affair: Bloomberg
Orlando Nightclub Shooting: Discovery, Politifact

President Trump & Homeland Security: WAER (Syracuse, NY)
President Trump & Immigration: The New York Times, PoliticoFact

Natasha A. Sales

NY/NJ Terror Attacks: Wall Street Journal
Patriot Act: NBC News
President Trump & Counterterrorism: The Hill

William C. Snyder

Data Privacy: CNET
Smartphones, Unlocking, & Warrants: Bloomberg
US Attorneys Dismissals: Sinclair Media Group

NATHAN A. SALES

On 2016-2017 News Events:
On tracking low tech bomb-making equipment: “After the Oklahoma City bombings, we decided to tag and monitor the sale and use of many of those materials. We could do that again … [but we] can’t watch every item on every transaction that all of us are involved in every day. Retailers and wholesalers would say ‘every time I sell a pressure cooker, I’ve got to fill out a piece of paper?’”

MARKETPLACE (SEPT. 22, 2016)
INSCT ON SECURITY MAY 2016-MAY 2017

INSCT on Security is a long-running blog that features articles on a wide range of security topics—from postconflict justice and cybersecurity to domestic politics and Middle East policy—by staff, affiliated faculty, students and alumni, and INSCT’s extended network of research and practice associates.

This is a small selection of the more than 40 articles published during 2016-2017:

“Future Missions Through the Lens of the US Army Operating Concept” by Octavian Manea (MAIR ’13) June 10, 2016

“Are Hamas Rockets Terrorism? Hollywood Weighs In” by Lauren Mellinger (JD/MAIR ’10) June 30, 2016


“Is the US About to Cede Control of ICANN?” by Christopher Folk (LAW ’17) Aug. 29, 2016


“Suspicion in America: Creating a Problem for a Solution” by Ryan J. Suto (JD/MS/MAIR ’13) Sept. 8, 2016

“Preserve Social Media Data to Ensure Justice for Syrian People” by INSCT Faculty Member David M. Crane and Jennifer M. Grygiel (Newhouse School) Oct. 4, 2016


“Rule 41 Amendments: Why There’s No Reason to Panic” by Ryan White (JD/MPA candidate, 2018) Nov. 11, 2016

“On Tort Liability for ‘Buggy’ Software” by INSCT Faculty Member William C. Snyder Nov. 14, 2016

“The US Embassy in Israel: Next Year in Jerusalem?” by INSCT Faculty Member Miriam Elman Nov. 15, 2016


“Obama, Kerry, and Israeli-Palestinian Realities” by INSCT Faculty Member Louis Kriesberg Jan. 13, 2017

“Israel’s Decision Making Process on National Security Needs an Overhaul” by Lauren Mellinger (JD/MAIR ‘10) March 6, 2017

“The Trump-Xi Summit: A Rocky Relationship Takes Center Stage” by INSCT Faculty Member James B. Steinberg and Michael O’Hanlon April 11, 2017

“Better Alternatives to President Trump’s Foreign Policies” by INSCT Faculty Member Louis Kriesberg April 25, 2017

“100 Days, Trump, and Precaution” by INSCT Director William C. Banks and David M. Driesen (SU Law) May 1, 2017

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POLICY ADVICE: COMPLEX CONFLICTS & A FRAGILE FUTURE

In October 2016, INSCT on Security published “Preparing for Complex Conflicts” by Dr. Robert D. Lamb, Visiting Research Professor, Army War College, and Melissa R. Gregg, Ph.D. student, Simon Fraser University. The article was developed from a communiqué by INSCT collaborator the US Institute of Peace’s (USIP) Fragility Study Group (FSG), an independent, non-partisan initiative of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, the Center for a New American Security, and USIP. The FSG is pictured in session in September 2016, with INSCT Faculty Member David M. Crane, an FSG Senior Advisor, seated with his back to the camera.
HONORS & APPOINTMENTS MAY 2016–MAY 2017

JULY 2016
INSCT Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett was named the 2016 recipient of the Maxwell School’s Birkhead-Burkhead Teaching Excellence Award and Professorship, named for late professors Guthrie Birkhead and Jesse Burkhead.

SEPTEMBER 2016
INSCT Faculty Member Robert Rubinstein, Distinguished Professor of Anthropology in the Maxwell School, won an American Public Health Association award in recognition for his research and advocacy on peace and human rights and the Victor Sidel and Barry Levy Award for Peace.

OCTOBER 2016
INSCT added T. Michael Davis (JD/MPA ’94) of Scandia-Germania-Davis, PLLC, to its roster of distinguished Research and Practice Associates. Davis is an expert in Nordic and American politics, diplomacy, and comparative public policy.

The US National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) released a documentary—Innovators. Explorers. Trailblazers. A Look Back at Two Decades of Agency Excellence—celebrating the NGA’s 20th anniversary as an agency that brought together several intelligence bodies under one roof. It features INSCT Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett, a former NGA Director.

NOVEMBER 2016
INSCT Director of Research Corri Zoli was named Research Assistant Professor of Political Science in the Maxwell School. The position recognizes Zoli’s professional accomplishments and in particular her research into contemporary warfare, conflict dynamics, international law, humanitarian law, and public policy.

MARCH 2017
INSCT Faculty Member Laura J. Steinberg, former dean of the College of Engineering and Computer Science, was appointed Special Assistant for Strategy to the Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Innovation.

INSCT Faculty Member David M. Crane was appointed a Commissioner on North Carolina Commission of Inquiry on Torture, the first non-governmental inquiry of its kind to promote transparency and accountability for a state’s role in supporting the CIA’s Rendition, Detention, and Interrogation program.

MAY 2017
INSCT Faculty Member David M. Crane was presented with an Honorary Doctorate of Letters Degree from Ohio University. After graduating OU in 1973, Crane had a 30-year career with the US government before being appointed the founding chief prosecutor of the Special Court for Sierra Leone. During his career at SU Law, Crane has founded the “I Am Syria” campaign, the Impunity Watch journal, and the Syrian Accountability Project.

INSCT Faculty Member Margaret Hermann received the 2017 William Wasserstrom Prize for the Teaching of Graduate Students, from the SU College of Arts and Sciences.

The Class of 2017 awarded INSCT Director William C. Banks the Res Ipsa Loquitur Award at their Commencement ceremony. The award is given to a faculty member whose service, scholarship, and stewardship “speaks for itself.”

JUNE 2017
Michael McFadden—INSCT’s 2016-2017 Army War College Fellow—was promoted to Colonel on June 1, 2017, in a ceremony presided over by INSCT Deputy Director Robert B. Murrett, a US Navy Vice Admiral (Ret.), and INSCT alumnus Andrew Dieselman (JD/MPA ’17), an Army Lieutenant.

INSCT Faculty Member Nathan A. Sales was nominated to lead the US Department of State’s Bureau of Counterterrorism by US President Donald J. Trump.
ALUMNI UPDATES MAY 2016-MAY 2017

Carolyn Abdenour (Law ’13) is Assistant Chief Counsel for the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor, Immigration and Customs Enforcement in Harlingen, TX.

Christopher Beeler (Law ’16) is an Associate at Arnold & Porter LLP, Washington DC. Beeler’s portfolio includes national security, government contracting, compliance, and corporate oversight for government contractors. Among his pro bono clients is Mitra Network, which links up civilian experts with military commanders to advise the commander on relevant issues facing him/her in the operational environment.

Jemakai Blyden (MPA/MAIR ’13), a former member of SATSA, is a Research Associate at the Institute for Defense Analyses and Co-Founder of Appoggia Software, LLC.

Dayana Bobko (MPA ’15) is an Analyst at Wittenberg Weiner Consulting, LLC.

Gregory Champ (Law ’10), a former INSCT Graduate Assistant, is Director of Government Affairs at the Wireless Infrastructure Association.

Sean Comber (MPA/MAIR ’15) is a Research Intern at the Project on Nuclear Issues, a project of the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Adriana Condarco-Quesada (MPA/MAIR ’15) is a Regional Economic Development Specialist at the Center for Regional Economic Advancement, Cornell University.

Chris Conrad (MAIR ’15) is an Operations Center Coordinator (Contingency Operations) at the International Justice Mission, where he is helping with the Center’s operational build-out.

Rachel Coolican (MAIR ’15) is a Government Affairs Intern at defense and IT contractor SAIC, where she supports the Vice President of Government Affairs.

Joshua Daley (MPA/MAIR ’11) works on health and rural development programs in Haiti as a Manager of Programs for Global Health Action.

Eric Delmar (Law ’05) is an attorney for US Customs and Border Protection in El Paso, TX.

Nathaniel Fritz (MAIR ’17) is a Faculty Research Intern at the College of International Security Affairs, National Defense University.

Tulia Gattone (MAIR ’15) is a Private Sector Development Analyst for the Enabling the Business of Agriculture (EBA) Project at The World Bank.

Abe Goldsmitd (Law ’12) is a Special Assistant in the Executive Office of the President of the United States, having worked in the Miami-Dade State Attorney’s Office, US Department of Homeland Security, and as a member of the Rudy Giuliani Presidential Committee.

Ariel Gould (MAIR ’17) is a Defense Intern at Signal Group Consulting LLC.

Natalya Grokh (MAIR ’08) is an Operations Officer for the Nuclear Risk Reduction Center, US Department of State, and a former Foreign Service Officer at US DOS.

Brandon Kaufman (Law ’11), a former INSCT Research Assistant, is a Senior Legislative Assistant at the US House of Representatives.

Kira Krown (MPA ’15), a former INSCT Research Assistant, is a Training Manager at the Boulder Institute of Microfinance, headquartered in Syracuse, NY. The Boulder Institute is a not-for-profit that seeks to broadening financial inclusion systems through support of sustainable microfinance programs.

Mark A. Johnson (JD/MPA ’14) is a Consultant at Deloitte.

Hib Kline (JD/MAIR ’13) is a Threat Intelligence Analyst at FireEye, Inc. (the owners of Mandiant).

Richard Lim (MPA ’10) is a Senior Program Analyst at Seneca Solutions, a defense and national security contractor operated by the Seneca Nation of Indians. In October 2016 Lim was working on a project for the US Army Corps of Engineers. Lim is a former National Security Analyst at the Association of the United States Army.

Zachary Lubelfeld (MPA/MAIR ’17) is the latest INSCT alum to receive a prestigious Boren Fellowship.

As a student taking the classes necessary to complete my CAS in Security Studies, I was able to learn from experts in national security and the intelligence community. The connections I made with students and professors in these classes will be essential to building my future professional network. I had the honor of working with William Banks and David Crane, and both have given me unique opportunities to explore domestic and international legal issues. I recommend INSCT to any law student interested in national security, intelligence, or international law.”

COLIN TANSITS (JD/MPA ’17)
Isidoro Ramirez\(^2\) (MAIR/MA ‘17) is an Psychological Operations Specialist in the US Army Reserve.

Brittany Renner\(^2\) (MAIR ‘15) is a Project Delivery Analyst at Deloitte Consulting Federal.

Abigail Reese\(^2\) (JD/MAIR ‘15) is a Management Analyst at the US Department of State’s Office of Inspector General.

Keone Rowe\(^2\) (MPA/MAIR ‘16) became a Rangel Fellow in March 2016. The Rangel Program is an initiative of the US Department of State that prepares young people for careers in the Foreign Service.

Cassandra Schneider\(^1\) (MAIR ‘16), a former INSCT Research Assistant, joined Creative Associates International, a Washington, DC-based think tank.

Megan Soule\(^2\) (MAIR/MA ‘17) is a Visual Communications Designer at the US Department of State.

Jason Stanley\(^1\) (LAW ‘15) is an Assistant Chief Counsel at Immigration Customs Enforcement in Seattle, WA.

Ryan J. Suto\(^1\) (JD/MS/MAIR ‘13) works for Cydecor, a defense consulting firm based in Washington, DC.

Mark Temnycky\(^2\) (MPA ‘17) is an intern at Transparency International Ukraine, having previously served at US DOD Office of the Secretary of Defense for European and NATO Policy and the Committee of Foreign Affairs, Ukraine.

Alex Veneziano\(^2\) (JD/MPA ‘12) is a Legal Counsel at Airbus Group, Inc.


Jason Yaley\(^2\) (MPA ‘06) received a Generation Orange award during Orange Central 2016, a celebration that recognizes alumni who have made an impact through volunteering on behalf of SU. Yaley is a Special Assistant to the US Air Force Chief of Staff.

CERTIFICATES

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