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TO: Board of Directors
DC/SLA

FROM: Student Scholarship Committee

SUBJ: 2012 Scholarship Award Recommendation

The members of the Scholarship Committee, Michael Jourdan, Maggie Turqman, and Jenny Wood, are pleased to present our recommendation for the recipient of DC/SLA's 2012 scholarship award.

The Committee recommends Angela Aranas to the Board of Directors for the 2012 Catherine A. Jones Memorial Scholarship award, sponsored by IOP Publishing.

Ms. Aranas is enrolled part time at the School of Library and Information Science at The Catholic University of America (CUA) and expects to receive her degree in 2013, after which she plans to continue her studies as a doctoral candidate.

Ms. Aranas has a background in security and intelligence studies. The pairing of this background with an MLS will create a specialized skill set in the information field. Further, she has a clear vision of how these two facets of information studies illuminate each other, and how she intends to pursue the intersection of the two professionally within the security, defense, and intelligence community.

Shortly after her enrollment at CUA, Ms. Aranas volunteered to serve as president of CUA's student chapter. She developed a student survey to help direct and focus the chapter's fall semester programming, strengthened the chapter's online and social networking presence, and formalized continuity between current and future chapter leaders. She also reached out to DC/SLA by adding a student chapter hosted dinner in the Dine Around series.

The Committee feels that Ms. Aranas' clear vision of how her unique professional interests intersect and her strong leadership of CUA's student chapter deserve recognition, and we strongly believe that she will be an active, involved chapter member and an asset to DC/SLA.

The Committee will be happy to provide additional information and answer any questions you may have.