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Dear Reader,

We are pleased to announce the release of Volume VII, Issue 2 (April 2013) of Perspectives on Terrorism at www.terrorismanalysts.com. This issue has been prepared at the new Center for Security Research & Technologies (CSRT), at the Lowell Campus of the University of Massachusetts (online at www.uml.edu/csrt).

From now on, the two principal editors in Europe and the United States will take turns in preparing the six annual issues of this peer-reviewed online journal. The next issue (June 2013) will be prepared by Alex Schmid and the August issue again by James Forest (which will be a special issue on financial dimensions of terrorism). Journal-related correspondence and submissions for Perspectives on Terrorism should, however, be preferably copied to both editors (< apschmid@terrorismanalysts.com > and < jforest@terrorismanalysts.com >). Occasionally, we will also invite guest editors to join us, especially for thematic issues.

Now in its seventh year, Perspectives of Terrorism has more than 3,200 regular subscribers worldwide and some 100,000 occasional readers and visitors per year. This places it on the forefront of one hundred journals that publish articles on terrorism. Our Editorial Assistant, Dr. Judith Tinnes, has identified and listed all relevant (English-language) journals in the field. The reader can find them in the current issue. This issue also features an article on the interrogation of terrorists. It makes a strong case against the use of torture for gaining information on other than moral grounds alone. Another highlight of this issue is an interview with a leader of a militant group from India. For anyone tempted to join a terrorist group it could serve as a timely eye-opener. Finally, we would like to draw your attention to the national networks of PhD Theses writers of the Terrorism Research Initiative (TRI). A listing of doctoral dissertations in the making (or recently completed) can be found at the end of this issue of Perspectives on Terrorism.

Sincerely,

James J.F. Forest & Alex P. Schmid
Editors