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MEMORANDUM

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TO: American University Community

FROM: Scott A. Bass, Provost

RE: Appointment of Dr. James Goldgeier as Dean of the School of International Service

I am pleased to announce the appointment of James Goldgeier as Dean of the School of International Service (SIS), effective August 1, 2011. Dr. Goldgeier joins American University from George Washington University, where he is a Professor of Political Science and International Affairs and previously served as director of the Institute for European, Russian and Eurasian Studies. He holds an A.B. from Harvard University and an M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of California- Berkeley.

Dr. Goldgeier is an internationally known scholar whose academic research focuses on contemporary international relations and American foreign policy. He has authored or co-authored four books and published in leading journals including *International Organization*, *Security Studies*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy*, and the *National Interest*. His most recent book, *America Between the Wars: From 11/9 to 9/11* (co-authored with Derek Chollet), was named a "Best Book of 2008" by Slate and his prior book, *Power and Purpose: U.S. Policy toward Russia after the Cold War* (co-authored with Michael McFaul), received the 2004 Georgetown University Leggold Book Prize for best book on international relations.

Dr. Goldgeier is also recognized as a leading figure in the world of public policy and will help SIS forge new ties between faculty, students, alumni and influential decision-makers. This past academic year, Dr. Goldgeier was a Transatlantic Academy Fellow at the German Marshall Fund, and he was previously the Whitney Shepardson Senior Fellow for Transatlantic Relations at the Council on Foreign Relations. He has held the Henry Kissinger Chair in Foreign Policy and International Relations at the Library of Congress as well as appointments at the U.S. Department of State, the National Security Council staff, the Brookings Institution, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, and the Hoover Institution.

Dr. Goldgeier's record and standing within the international affairs community and his vision for the future of SIS will build upon and further enhance the legacy left by Dean Louis Goodman, who is stepping down at the end of July. For their efforts during the search process, I want to thank the Dean Search Committee and its co-chairs, Derrick Cogburn and Shoon Murray.

Please join me in welcoming Dr. Goldgeier to American University.

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