NOMINATION FOR THE NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

Robert David Steele

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Nomination Narrative

Mr. Robert David Steele (hereafter Nominee) is recommended for the Nobel Peace Prize in the annual cycle closing 1 February 2017 with the following proposed citation:

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Open Source Everything Engineering (OSEE)

Nominee has devised a concept for achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDG) within ten to twenty years at a cost of ten to twenty percent of the current estimated costs if one were to use Open Source Everything Engineering (OSEE) instead of the existing financial, industrial, and legal approaches.

Applied Collective Intelligence – Earth Intelligence

Applied Collective Intelligence is a modern refinement of old ideas (World Brain, Global Game) combined with new ideas including the urgency of integrating holistic analytics, true cost economics, and OSEE across every policy domain. The macro-level implementation includes a World Brain Institute, a School of Future-Oriented Hybrid Governance, and a new meta PhD/DBA that begins to create a global cadre of mentors able to teach and help others practice Multinational, Multiagency, Multidisciplinary, Multidomain Information-Sharing and Sense-Making (M4IS2). At the micro-level the true cost of every product, service, policy, and behavior is documented and shown to the individual citizen on a hand-held dashboard – education, not regulation, is used to address climate change, child labor, and everything else at point of sale.

Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) & Peacekeeping Intelligence (PKI)

Nominee has since 1988 sought to teach over 66 governments – over 7,500 mid-career officers individually – that intelligence is about decision-support (the outputs) rather than spying and secret technical collection (the inputs). He has labored for decades to demonstrate that secret intelligence communities spend too much time and money on two of the ten high-level threats to humanity (war and terrorism) and no time at all on the other eight (poverty, infectious disease, environment, genocide, other atrocities, proliferation, and transnational crime). He is a widely-published intelligence reformer, and also one of the top Amazon reviewers for non-fiction, reading in 98 categories that inform his broad vision for an Earth Intelligence network in which all minds connect to all information all the time. He coined the term “information peacekeeping” and published the first book on peacekeeping intelligence.
Nominee’s Vision in Six Graphics

Figure 1: Evolution of the Craft of Intelligence

Figure 2: Eight Tribes Do Intelligence Together

Figure 3: OSINT Utility to Ten High-Level Threats

Figure 4: Open Source Everything Engineering

Figure 5: Preliminary Holistic Analytic Model

Figure 6: Integrated Vision for Our Future


* Application Oriented Interfaces
** Base Transceiver Station [essentially, free cellular and Internet access]
Nominee’s Summary Biography

Robert David Steele is a US-born author, educator, and intelligence professional. A former infantry officer and spy, he is the founder of the modern discipline of Open Source Intelligence (OSINT). He has been recognized as a thought leader since 1994 when he was featured by Alvin Toffler in a chapter on “The Future of the Spy” and listed by Microtimes as an unsung hero striving to change the world for the better. A profile of him in The Guardian in 2014 received 33,000 shares in three days and is now at 74,000 shares. Most recently he has been widely recognized for his advocacy of Open Source Everything Engineering implemented via an Open Source Agency, and politically, for his public opposition to CIA claims that the Russians hacked the US election.

Employment

Earth Intelligence Network (501c3 Public Charity), CEO (2006-)
Adjunct Researcher, US Army Strategic Studies Institute (1998-)
Central Intelligence Agency Operations Officer (1979-1988)

Education

Naval War College (1987-1990), Certificate, 3.7 of 4.0, with distinction
University of Oklahoma (1985-1987), MPA Public Administration, 4.0 of 4.0, Pi Alpha Alpha
Lehigh University (1974-1976), MA International Relations, 3.6 of 4.0, Research Fellow
Muhlenberg College (1970-1974), AB in Political Science, 3.2 in major, 2.6 over-all, of 4.0
Singapore American High School (1967-1970), Diploma Advanced Placement and Honors

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1 A traditional CV including teaching experience, honors, film appearances, and more are at the nominee’s website.
Nominee’s Chronology

1952 Born to US citizen natural born father and naturalized US citizen Colombian mother
1970 Diploma Singapore American High School after 16 years in Latin America and Asia
1974 AB with thesis on multinational corporations and home/host county issues
1976 MA with thesis creating original model for predicting revolution across all domains
1980 Managed a global media influence program relating to a specific war-torn country
1982 As a Reserve officer, helped create the Marine Corps Master Intelligence Plan (MCMIP)
1983 Wrote the CIA’s first-ever Standard Operating Procedures for a (Clandestine) Field Station
1984 One of the first (of two) CIA field officers assigned the terrorist program full time
1986 Managed a global counterintelligence program against a denied area program
1987 MPA with thesis on strategic information mis-management with US Government as case study
1987 Assigned to create advanced information technology applications for operations and analysis
1988 Assigned to manage future plans for imagery and signals satellites for the national program
1988 Received a double promotion with transfer from CIA to be second-ranking civilian in USMC
1988 Memorandum on generic intelligence center production requirements
1989 Founded the Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) discipline after discovering emptiness of spying
1989 Ghost-wrote for Commandant USMC calling for intelligence for “peaceful preventive measures”
1990 Study with strategic model for planning and programming expeditionary operations
1990 Wrote first of many articles seeking to reform national intelligence. All articles online.
1991 Memorandum seeking to shift US Government toward focus on Third World & emerging threats
1992 At great personal financial risk, sponsored first international conference on OSINT
1992 Wrote first article on E3i: Ethics, Ecology, Evolution, & Intelligence for Whole Earth Review
1992 As Adjunct Faculty for Marine Corps University, wrote primer on thinking about revolution.
1993 Forbidden by CIA from pursuing OSINT, resigned from a tenured civil service position
1993 Introduced NSA to Hackers, ran second of what would become 20 international conferences
1994 Opening speaker at Hackers on Planet Earth, co-founded Information Warfare Conference
1994 Wrote first warning letter on cyber-security and need to spend $1B a year, to White House
1994 Spoke and wrote in Europe on importance of using open sources for commercial intelligence
1993 Provided testimony to Presidential Commission on secrecy as “cement overcoat” of intelligence
1994 Provided testimony to National Research Council on need for open data architectures for Army
1995 Defeated entire US Intelligence Community in a bench-mark test for Aspin-Brown Commission
1995 Article (French/English) on vision for the future of intelligence
1995 Chapter (French) on need to re-invent intelligence to give preference to open sources
1995 For Aspin-Brown Commission defeated entire secret world with six phone calls on Burundi
1996 Handbook for defense open source intelligence
1996 Provided testimony to the Moynihan Commission on Protecting and Reducing Secrecy
1996 Wrote first memorandum on the concept of “information peacekeeping
1996 Wrote first cover story on creating a smart nation, for Government Information Quarterly
1996 Chapter on creating a smart nation as a foundation for the cyber-era
1997 Spoke and wrote for first time on virtual intelligence for conflict avoidance and resolution
1998 Wrote first major piece on the asymmetric threat for Joint Force Quarterly
1998 Chapter on information peacekeeping as the purest form of war (avoiding war)
1998 Keynote speaker for first Australian national conference on Open Source Intelligence
2000 Book published ON INTELLIGENCE, with Foreword from Senator David Boren
2000 Handbook for North Atlantic Treaty Organization Open Source Intelligence
2000 Prior to 9/11, wrote first article on needed presidential initiatives, for professional journal
2000 Envisioned World Brain and acquired URLs world-brain.net, world-brain.org, world-brain.com
2002 TIME Magazine published online article about the new craft of intelligence
2002 Monograph on the new craft of intelligence for the US Army Strategic Studies Institute
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2002 Book published THE NEW CRAFT OF INTELLIGENCE, with Foreword from Senator Pat Roberts
2003 Book published (with co-editors), PEACEKEEPING INTELLIGENCE
2003 Chapter on peacekeeping intelligence leadership
2003 Chapter on information peacekeeping and the future of intelligence
2004 Provided white paper to first Director of National Intelligence (DNI) championing OSINT
2004 First major article on information peacekeeping and the future of intelligence
2004 Handbook for Special Operations Forces (Civil Affairs) on open source intelligence
2006 Monograph on Information Operations for US Army Strategic Studies Institute
2006 Book published, INFORMATION OPERATIONS
2007 Chapter on Open Source Intelligence – the seminal chapter for the discipline
2007 Course for United Nations on open source information sharing and analytics
2008 Chapter on creating a smart nation
2008 Chapter on the world brain as earth game
2009 First article on need for intelligence for everyone other than the President
2009 Article rejected by Joint Force Quarterly on twenty years of government refusal to be serious
2010 Monograph on human intelligence for US Army Strategic Studies Institute
2011 Chapter on the ultimate hack, re-inventing intelligence to re-engineer earth (Danish editor)
2012 Published article and book on The Open Source Everything Manifesto
2012 Began publishing reflections on United Nations Intelligence
2012 First article published on World Brain and Global Game in Humanity Plus Magazine
2013 Chapter on the evolving craft of intelligence with open sources as the third era
2013 First bi-lingual article (Spanish/English) on healing the Americas with an open source agency
2013 Published online reflections on three paths to a prosperous world at peace
2013 First six-part interview series with Privacy PC on open everything
2014 Chapter on peace from above, information peacekeeping and UN aviation operations
2014 First profile in mainstream media (The Guardian) on the open source revolution – 73K shares
2014 First political interview for Libertarian magazine The Daily Bell on open source governance
2014 First engineering interview for IEEE Computer on Open Source Intelligence
2014 First published critique of defense intelligence – seven major flaws for CounterPunch
2014 First article on Applied Collective Intelligence for Spanda Journal
2015 Memorandum to the Vice President of the United States on the need for an Open Source Agency
2015 European interview on World Brain, End Secrecy, Harvest Hive Mind for Rag’n’Rock (UK)
2015 Rejected second article on Applied Collective Intelligence 2.0 (Technology and Society, Elsevier)
2015 Interview with Futurism Magazine on why we need an open source revolution
2015 Chapter on need for an open source tool-kit and network for shared human decision-making
2016 Article for SingularityWeblog on human intelligence and open source technologies
2016 White paper on Open Source Everything Engineering (OSEE)
2016 White paper on OSEE – the Nordic Manifesto (in connection with Danish government lecture)
2016 Post in the EU Open Source Observatory on open source governance and world peace
2016 Interview on global brain storm – collective intelligence and global change
2016 Article “In Harmony with All Life: The Open Source Way,” in Kosmos
2016 Reflections on philosophy of intelligence
2016 Monograph on Grand Strategy for the US Army Strategic Studies Institute
2016 Monograph on Global Reality for the US Army Strategic Studies Institute
2016 Monograph on Re-Inventing the US Army for the US Army Strategic Studies Institute
2016 Article in Defense and Intelligence Norway seeking to avert war with Russia over CIA lies
2017 Article in GlobalResearch refuting all aspects of the CIA report claiming Russia hacked US election
2017 Chapter on augmented intelligence and future-oriented hybrid governance
2017 Letter to Incoming UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres regarding SDG Goals via OSEE
Nominee’s Selected Publications

Only a fraction of the relevant publications are listed here. Structured access to all publications as well as interviews, lectures, and testimony is provided at http://robertdavidsteele.com.

Achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (As Delivered to UN)

“Open Source Everything Engineering (OSEE) – Achieving the SDG Goals in a Fraction of the Time at a Fraction of the Price,” Phi Beta Iota Public Intelligence Blog, February 16, 2016, as submitted to the UN SDG Global Report 2016.

Beyond Data Monitoring – Achieving the Sustainability Development Goals Through Intelligence (Decision-Support) Integrating Holistic Analytics, True Cost Economics, and Open Source Everything, Oakton, VA: Earth Intelligence Network, October 14, 2014.

Open Source Everything Engineering (OSEE)


“Human Intelligence and Open Source Technologies,” SingularityWeblog, February 1, 2016


Applied Collective Intelligence


“Applied Collective Intelligence 2.0: Can Open Source Evolutionary Cybernetics Leverage Distributed Human Intelligence While Advancing Artificial Intelligence?,” Phi Beta Iota Public Intelligence Blog, 17 October 2015.

“Human Intelligence and Open Source Technologies,” SingularityWeblog, February 1, 2016.

with Hans Kern, “World Brain II.0 or How We Should End Secrecy and Learn to Harvest the Hive Mind,” Rag’n’Rock (UK), June 2015, pp. 1-23.
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Intelligence for Earth: Clarity, Diversity, Integrity, & Sustainability, Earth Intelligence Network, 2010.

“Creating a Smart Nation” in Mark Tovey (ed.), Collective Intelligence: Creating a Prosperous World at Peace, Oakton, VA: Earth Intelligence Network, 2008, pp 107-130.

“World Brain as Earth Game,” in Mark Tovey (ed.), Collective Intelligence: Creating a Prosperous World at Peace, Oakton, VA: Earth Intelligence Network, 2008, pp 389-398

Tovey, Mark with Robert Steele (eds). Collective Intelligence: Creating A Prosperous World at Peace, Earth Intelligence Network, 2008.


Information Peacekeeping & Peacekeeping Intelligence


“Robert Steele: Concise Summary of Three Paths to a Prosperous World at Peace,” Phi Beta Iota Public Intelligence Blog, July 1, 2013


Information Operations: All Information, All Languages, All the Time, Open Source Solutions, Inc., 2006

The Smart Nation Act: Public Intelligence in the Public Interest, Open Source Solutions, Inc., 2006


Open Source Intelligence (OSINT)


“Healing the Americas with an Open Source Agency 2.0 / Sanando a las Americas con una Agencia de Fuentes Abiertas,” AAInteligencia, March/Marzo 2013.


“SPECIAL FEATURE: Creating a Smart Nation–Strategy, Policy, Intelligence, and Information,” Government Information Quarterly, 1996, pp. 159-173


Intelligence Reform


“Fixing Intelligence II: Seven Precepts,” Phi Beta Iota, Public Intelligence Blog, December 21, 2016.

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“Rethinking Intelligence: Seven False Premises Blocking Intelligence Reform,” Reality Sandwich, January 7, 2014.


“Intelligence for the President—AND Everyone Else,” CounterPunch, March 1, 2009.

“Intelligence Affairs: Evolution, Revolution, or Reactionary Collapse?,” International Journal of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, 19/1 519-537, Fall 2006.


On Intelligence: Spies and Secrecy in an Open World, Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, 2000.


“National Intelligence and Open Source: From School House to White House,” American Intelligence Journal, Spring/Summer 1993, pp. 29-32.


