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David F. Gordon, Former Director of Policy Planning at the US State Department, Joins Eurasia Group as Head of Research and Director, Global Macro Analysis

New York, 2 February—Eurasia Group is proud to announce that David F. Gordon, former director of policy planning at the US State Department and vice chairman of the US National Intelligence Council, has joined the firm as head of research and director of global macro analysis. He will be a member of Eurasia Group's management committee and will be based in Washington DC.

Eurasia Group's president, Ian Bremmer, praised the hire: "David has always intrinsically understood the nature of our work and the value we bring to our clients. David has spent more than ten years working at the highest levels of US foreign and national security policy processes. His leadership capabilities and experience in international politics will be a huge asset to the firm. Many of us at Eurasia Group have collaborated closely with David, and we've long hoped we'd be able to work together under one umbrella."

Dr. Gordon served mostly recently as the director of policy planning under Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice from June 2007 until January 2009. During his tenure, he played a leading role in developing policy ideas for Rice on issues ranging from Afghanistan and Pakistan to US engagement in East Asia to the multilateral response to the international financial crisis. At the same time, he led the department's strategic policy dialogues with more than 20 countries across the globe.

Prior to his work with the State Department, Gordon served in a top management role at the National Intelligence Council (NIC) from 2004 to 2007, during which time he led the NIC's integration into the new Office of the Director of National Intelligence and its reemergence as the preeminent analytic center in the US government through enhancing analytic quality and integrity in the aftermath of the 2003 Iraq National Intelligence Estimate. Other positions that Dr. Gordon has held include the director of CIA's Office of Transnational Issues, an office that covers issues including global economics and energy, illicit finance, insurgency and counterinsurgency, and global health; and national intelligence officer for economics and global issues at the NIC.

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Earlier in his career, Dr. Gordon was a senior fellow and director at the Overseas Development Council, a senior staff member on the Foreign Affairs Committee of the US House of Representatives, and the regional economic policy and democracy/governance adviser for the US Agency for International Development based in Nairobi, Kenya.

In the 1980s, Dr. Gordon pursued an academic career with a joint appointment at the University of Michigan and Michigan State University. He has also taught at the College of William and Mary, Princeton University, Georgetown University, and the University of Nairobi. Dr. Gordon's latest book is *Managing Strategic Surprise: Lessons from Risk Management and Risk Assessment*, co-edited with Ian Bremmer and Paul Bracken (Cambridge University Press, 2007).

Dr. Gordon is a graduate of Bowdoin College and undertook graduate studies in both political science and economics at the University of Michigan, where he received his PhD in 1981.

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