
Timothy Sandole - Weekly Memo

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Weekly Work Memo

October 22-26, 2012

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Monday, October 22

1. I responded to constructive criticism from a Wikipedian on how I can better reference the same source without resorting to "ibid," which, unbeknownst to be until now, is not good to use on Wikipedia. I then practiced a more complex referencing technique on Wikipedia to test out my new skill set. After practicing, I went through an old Wiki article I wrote and corrected some references under "Individuals and scholars" subheading: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Opposition_to_military_action_against_Iran#Individuals_and_Scholars (3 hours).
2. I researched Ansar al-Sharia, the Salafi group accused of helping to perpetrate the U.S. consulate attack in Benghazi (5 hours).

Tuesday, October 23

1. Outlined my Ansar al-Sharia contribution on an MS Word document (3 hours).
2. Coded/authored my work on Ansar al-Sharia on Wikipedia. My additions are under "Activities" and "2012 U.S. Consulate Attack." http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ansar_al-Sharia_%28Libya%29. Began research on Germany's evolving identity and subsequent foreign policy in light of the European Sovereign Debt Crisis (5 hours).

Wednesday, October 24

1. Met with Marisa L. Porges, Research Fellow in the International Security Program to discuss counterterrorism policy additions on Wikipedia (2 hours).
2. Researched Germany's evolving identity and subsequent foreign policy formulation in the wake of the European Sovereign Debt Crisis. Drafted my contribution on MS Word (6 hours).

Thursday, October 25

1. Authored/coded my German foreign policy/identity piece on Wikipedia, which can be found here: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Germans#1990-present>. I wrote under “1990-present” heading. Started to research U.S. foreign policy under Obama toward China (8 hours).

Friday, October 26

1. Running into some trouble with the U.S. foreign policy toward Asia. Very ambiguous/lots of debate and still forming. May not be Wikipedia worthy. Andrew Nathan of Columbia University and Aaron L. Friedberg of Princeton at odds over U.S. China policy. Will continue taking a crack at it on Monday. I may have to change course. (8 hours).

For Next Week – continue hashing out information on the Obama ‘pivot’ toward Asia. Start researching Special Operations (SPECOPS) and its future in relation to U.S. grand strategy.

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