From the Editor
Welcome to the first edition of the SIAS weekly newsletter! Each week we will do our best to bring you the most important news from around the world and information about the events and opportunities around campus relevant to you, the International Affairs community! Please feel free to send any suggestions, comments, criticisms, important stories or questions to siasnewsteam@gmail.com. Enjoy!

Top Stories
- The Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical weapons receives the Nobel Peace Prize for its work in Syria and around the world against the spread of chemical weapons - http://goo.gl/XNRAKn
- US government shutdown nears second week, talks continue but little progress made - http://goo.gl/9JJTdu
- Obama nominates Janet Yellen for the Chairman of the Federal Reserve, she is expected to carry on many of the policies of Bernanke - http://goo.gl/Qmgu91
- Despite continued human rights abuses against protestors and US statements against it, US military aid to Egypt appears to continue - http://goo.gl/uAHMOx
- APEC meets without Obama’s presence, China speaks out against escalating tensions over territorial disputes - http://goo.gl/ly9DRe

In Focus: Iran, Reform or Reaction?
- The Economist argues for wary diplomacy with safeguards against nuclear development- http://goo.gl/qA0fzE
- FareedZakaria calls for an end to chest-thumping and a legitimate compromise with Iran- http://goo.gl/isP3ko
- Iran appears to make progress on nuclear talks- http://goo.gl/3dc4d9

What do you think? Write to us at siasnewsteam@gmail.com and your opinion may be posted on sias.stanford.edu

Around Campus This Week
SIAS Events:
- First SIAS Speaker-Series featuring Dr. Thomas Fingar on 10/16 @ 12-1pm - OU 200
  Dr. Thomas Fingar, former Chairman of the National Intelligence Council, speaks on "Intelligence and Policymaking". Food will be provided.
- 1st SIAS General Meeting featuring ice cream sundaes on 10/17 @ 8:30pm – TBD

Other Events:
- Bangladesh Noir: Uncivil Proximities and the Ethnography of Contemporary Bangladesh on 10/15 @ 12pm – Encina Hall West, 208, http://goo.gl/5GUXGo
- African History Film Series: Africa, I’m Going to Fleece You on 10/15 @ 7pm – Encina Hall West, 208, http://goo.gl/rcDUm5
- “Innovative Approaches to Sustainable Development & Transparency” with Kohl Gill of Labor Voices on 10/17 @ 12-1:30pm – Encina Hall West. 208, http://goo.gl/SJpPCI
- Red Lines and FaitsAccomplis in Interstate Coercion and Crisis, Daniel Altman & Kenneth Schultz on 10/17 @ 3:30-5pm – CISAC Conference Room, Encina Hall, 2nd Floor, http://goo.gl/cvn7VE