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From the Chairman

Stephen Heintz
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I have never seen anything like QI. In a very short time, it has become an organization that matters. It is now a recognized pole in the debate among policymakers, experts, activists, and everyday Americans who wonder why the US is always at war.

The Quincy Institute is a powerhouse of policy reform and popular communication directed at reversing the idea that America has a right or obligation to dominate the world militarily. This year we gained unprecedented attention for our work to end the war against Iran and to expose Israel's efforts to interfere in our foreign policy. We have also been a central player in reframing discourse around US relations with China, Russia, Europe, and the Global South, and in fighting a massive increase in war spending at a time of crippling national debt and domestic need.

Two factors guide our work and contribute to its success. First, QI is transpartisan. We work across the aisle to build coalitions to end the overuse of war and coercion. Second, we don't take money from governments or weapons makers. These positions pose challenges but allow a degree of independence rare in Washington.

We raised a budget big enough to show up and challenge the pro-war consensus. QI today is an extraordinary team of 44 passionate subject-matter experts, investigative journalists, communicators, and advocates. An additional 50 like-minded non-resident fellows affiliate with QI, further deepening our bench.

Our online magazine – *Responsible Statecraft* – is receiving one million views a month. It provides context other foreign policy journals omit, and increasingly breaks original news picked up by publications from *The New York Times* to *The Hollywood Reporter* to *Military.com*. QI leads the way among think tanks in reaching new audiences through tools like Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube.

There is much more work to do, but QI's energy, dynamism, mission discipline, and creativity are forging the change that it was created to deliver. We are looking beyond Trump to what comes next and helping people running for Congress from both parties understand the ways the world is being transformed by new technologies, war, and rising tensions with China.

Thank you to all who have contributed to this effort, and to those who will. The need and the case for support have never been greater.





Trita Parsi with the former foreign ministers of Brazil and Serbia at the Paraty Dialogue, Brazil, August 2026.

Producing Public Intellectuals

Ideas change policy only when someone carries them into newsrooms, foreign ministries, and congressional offices. At Quincy, we invest in the people who do that carrying.

QI Executive Vice President Trita Parsi, author of three books on US-Israel-Iran relations, is among the country's foremost authorities on the subject. Since the Trump administration launched a war of aggression against Iran in February, he has worked tirelessly to help the White House find a way out. Foreign ministers, members of Congress, and broadcast news seek out his analysis, and his 500+ interviews in 2026 have reached millions.

His influence extends beyond the crisis of the moment. Through the Better Order Project, which he launched in 2023, Trita concluded that a post-unipolar world still needs the UN, and that the UN cannot stay legitimate without Security Council reform. He and his deputy developed a workable model to expand the council and curb the veto. They now work alongside the governments leading the Council's reform.

Trita may be our model public intellectual, but he is not alone. He mentors a 25-member studies team, helping each scholar shape policy through sharp analysis, strategic engagement, direct diplomacy, and savvy media commentary.

Our Secret Weapon



Tori Bateman

Ideas also need champions on Capitol Hill. Advocacy Director Tori Bateman, QI's force multiplier, builds traction for our ideas with Members of Congress, their staff, and constituencies beyond the Beltway. In 2026, she secured 37 meetings and events with Members. Tori has twice been named one of Washington's top lobbyists, the only pro-peace advocate on the list.

Each year, Tori and her associate run a six-week bootcamp that challenges congressional staffers to rethink US intervention through case studies and a simulation. This year she added QI's first staff study trip, taking a bipartisan delegation to Colombia to examine how Latin Americans view the United States and China. She also turned our research into campaign guides on military spending, China, and the Middle East for more than 2,000 congressional candidates.

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Total current assets	$2,931,462
Total other assets	$2,635,398
Total assets	**$5,566,860**
Total current liabilities	$446,659
Total net assets	$4,911,565
Total liabilities and net assets	**$5,566,860**
REVENUE	
Grant income	$1,867,194
Contribution income	$5,596,829
Investment return	$138,829
Total support and revenue	**$7,602,287**
EXPENSES	
Program services	$6,300,064
Management and general	$685,214
Fundraising	$478,976
Total expenses	**$7,464,254**

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