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Strategic Intelligence for American World Policy by Sherman Kent was first published in 1949. It is the intellectual forebearer of all that has been written in the serious open literature since that time. In the intervening years, the academic literature on intelligence has grown exponentially. Major studies have appeared with increasing frequency; and scholarly articles have found their way into various standard journals in the fields of history, political science, psychology, sociology, public affairs, national security, etc. Since 1986, two international journals have been dedicated exclusively to intelligence subjects. Kent defined strategic intelligence as "the kind of knowledge our state must possess regarding other states in order to assure itself that its cause will not suffer nor its undertaking fail because its statesmen and soldiers plan and act in ignorance."

To assist researchers in gaining a better understanding of strategic intelligence and its role in optimizing political decision-making and military command, the US Army War College Library presents Strategic Intelligence and National Security: A Selected Bibliography. Revised and updated, it includes the citations from the September 1991 edition, as well as new entries for recently received materials. The books and periodical articles cover the period since 1914, with particular attention to World War II and the post-war era. Official documents have been largely excluded. Emphasis is placed upon the interaction of intelligence, strategic surprise, strategic deception, politics, war, and ethics. The listing features writings principally by American, British, Israeli, and Canadian authors.

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