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It is with great sadness and a heavy heart that we announce the passing away of Dr. John R. Wood, SICI's past president (1994-96), and Professor Emeritus, University of British Columbia, Canada. SICI remembers him for his invaluable guidance as leader who steered Institute in the right direction for greater collective success of Indian and Canadian higher education interests. In his distinguished career as a Political Science faculty, Dr. Wood taught for thirty-five years in the field of Comparative Non-Western Government, with primary focus on the politics of India and South Asia. As a fellow, two-time Resident Director, and finally, as President of SICI, he dedicated his time, efforts and continued commitment to enhance academic and research partnerships between India and Canada. He leaves behind a legacy of inspiration for a generation of young, mature and veteran scholars of these two great nations. His published work on India included studies of state politics and federalism, extra-parliamentary struggles, nationalism, ethnic conflict and separatism, and so on and so forth. He also published articles on Canada-India relations and on the politics of the Indo-Canadian community.

We express our deepest condolences to his family, friends and the greater India-Canada intellectual community. Dr. Wood's contributions and legacy will live on.