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# **Intelligence, Military, and Congress: How to apply IR and Middle East Studies**

**Mark Morrison**

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Mark Morrison has served since September 2006 as deputy chief of staff to Senator Robert F. Bennett from Utah. Morrison oversees all legislative activity and is primarily involved in military, intelligence, and foreign policy issues. He served as legislative director and military legislative assistant to Bennett since May 2003. A retired lieutenant colonel from the U.S. Air Force in October 2004, after twenty-five years of service on active duty and in the reserves, Morrison's active-duty assignments included three years in Germany in a NATO analytic position; two years as a Middle East area specialist working for the Air Force chief of staff; and three years as an intelligence analyst in the White House on the staff of the National Security Council. His reserve service was largely in the Pentagon working for the Secretary of Defense. Morrison worked for thirteen years as director of legislative affairs for Lockheed Martin Corporation, where he focused primarily on legislative strategies related to missile defense, satellite, and offensive missile programs. He also worked for two years as a legislative assistant to Senator Phil Gramm from Texas. Morrison is a graduate of Brigham Young University, Troy State University, and the Naval Postgraduate School.