## 2AC T – Democracy Assistance

### Counter-interpretation –

(b) Sense of Congress regarding mechanisms for delivering assistance

(1) Findings

Congress finds the following:

(A) Democracy assistance has many different

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auditing functions, and advance security sector reform.

(B) There is a need for

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and delivery mechanisms for United States democracy assistance.

US Code, ’10 (“§ 8262. UNITED STATES DEMOCRACY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS” Title 22, Chapter 89, Subchapter VI,

http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/usc\_sec\_22\_00008262----000-.html)

### We meet – IMET civil-military programming is democracy assistance

Carothers, Director of Democracy at Carnegie, ’99 (Thomas, “Aiding Democracy Abroad: the Learning Curve” p 196-197)

An additional area of democracy aid that merits

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involved in human rights abuses and military dictatorships.

### Prefer our interpretation –

### Grounded literature – Carothers is the most qualified source on the topic

Brookings, ‘4 (“REVIEW: Critical Mission: Essays on Democracy Promotion” http://www.brookings.edu/press/Books/2004/criticalmission.aspx)

Demand for practical knowledge and lessons about how

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-date, comprehensive bibliography on democracy promotion.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR Thomas Carothers Thomas Carothers is

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expert on U.S. foreign policy.

SELECTED REVIEWS "Carothers's examinations have helped us

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Robert Kagan, author, of PARADISE AND POWER

### Core of the topic – excluding military democracy assistance is arbitrary – turns limits and predictability

Phillips, Director of National Committee on American Foreign Policy, and Mitchell, International Politics Prof at Columbia, ‘8 (David and Lincoln, May, “Enhancing Democracy Assistance” American Foreign Policy Interests, Vol 30 Issue 3, p 156-175, InformaWorld)

Decades of successful democracy assistance as well as

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lest the opportunity to shape outcomes be lost.

# Adv 1

## 2AC AC to ME Stability

### The transition in Egypt determines the course of the entire region – if it fails than conflict will spread, but if it succeeds than Egypt will be a stabilizing force

Dunne, Director - Rafik Hariri Center for the Middle East, 11 (July, EGYPT’S DEMOCRATIC TRANSITION, FIVE IMPORTANT MYTHS ABOUT THE ECONOMY AND INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE)

The Egyptian revolution is a turning point to

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, a **stabilising force** in a turbulent region.

## 2AC ME War Likely

### Nuclear miscalculation makes it impossible to deescalate

Krepinevich, President of Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments, 11 (Jan/Feb, The Dangers of a Nuclear Iran, Foreign Affairs, Vol. 90 Issue 1, p66-81)

Were Saudi Arabia to acquire nuclear weapons,

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a new Great Game, with unpredictable consequences.

## 2AC Iran-Israel War Likely

### Iran will increase aggression – causes regional nuclear war\*\*

Nisman, Argov Fellow for Leadership and Diplomacy at the IDC Herzlyia, 1-1-’12 (Daniel, “The Middle East and North Africa in 2011: On the brink of Chaos?” http://www.middle-east-online.com/english/?id=49752)

In addition to Bahrain, the Islamic Republic

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**globe would somehow not end in apocalyptic disaster**.

# Adv 2

## 2AC Heg Collapse Causes War

### Hegemony solves nuke war and extinction---multipolarity is inevitable but absolute US power smooths the transition and is empirically correlated to perpetual great-power peace

Thomas P.M. Barnett 11 Former Senior Strategic Researcher and Professor in the Warfare Analysis & Research Department, Center for Naval Warfare Studies, U.S. Naval War College American military geostrategist and Chief Analyst at Wikistrat., worked as the Assistant for Strategic Futures in the Office of Force Transformation in the Department of Defense, “The New Rules: Leadership Fatigue Puts U.S., and Globalization, at Crossroads,” March 7 <http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/8099/the-new-rules-leadership-fatigue-puts-u-s-and-globalization-at-crossroads>

It is worth first examining the larger picture

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the stage for the Pacific Century now unfolding.

# Offcase

## Kritik

### Foreign policy should be guided by a mix of moral and self-interested motivations – alt can’t solve the aff or US hegemony

George Friedman - founder, chief intelligence officer, and CEO of Stratfor – 12/6/11, Egypt and the Idealist-Realist Debate in U.S. Foreign Policy, http://www.stratfor.com/weekly/20111205-egypt-and-idealist-realist-debate-us-foreign-policy?utm\_source=freelist-f&utm\_medium=email&utm\_campaign=20111206&utm\_term=gweekly&utm\_content=readmore&elq=88a5097c3a284763b9202918890c5a91

Western countries, following the principles of the

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and I think you can see the predicament.

### Studies prove conflicts have been decreasing – primacy is THE reason.

Drezner, 2005 [Daniel, Gregg Easterbrook, Associate Professor of International Politics at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, “War, and the dangers of extrapolation,” may 25]

Daily explosions in Iraq, massacres in Sudan

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.S. intervention would be equally daunting.

### No mindless intervention

Mandelbaum 11 (Michael Mandelbaum, A. Herter Professor of American Foreign Policy, the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC; and Director, Project on East-West Relations, Council on Foreign Relations, “CFR 90th Anniversary Series on Renewing America: American Power and Profligacy,” Jan 2011)

MANDELBAUM:  I think it is, Richard

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, unwanted and expensive task of nation building.

Nation building has never been popular.  The

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And that unit has come to an end.

## 2AC EU Counterplan

### Only the US can has enough influence to restrain Egypt’s military

Ash, Historian, political writer and Guardian columnist, 11

(5/18, Obama can now define the third great project of Euro-Atlantic partnership, www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2011/may/18/obama-define-great-euro-atlantic-project)

I do not say this for the sake … two events have already opened the new chapter.

### Europe has no influence in Egypt due to US aid to SCAF – makes Egypt irrelevant for EU cred

Gowan, Director Center on International Coop at NYU, 2-2-’11 (Richard, “What Egypt Means for the EU” http://www.themarknews.com/articles/3973-what-egypt-means-for-the-eu)

Yet for all the talk of a “

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way that we remember the 1956 Suez debacle?

### EU’s soft power doesn’t solve --- lacks the necessary political and military visibility to secure its interests

Dr. Gross, 8 --- Gross, Institute for European Studies, Free University Brussels (Dr. Eva Gross, “The Limits of European Soft Power,” paper presented at SNU-KIEP EU Centre conference ‘Power of Knowledge and Knowledge of Power: Soft Power and Asia-Europe Partnership’, Seoul, South Korea, 30-31 October 2008, [www.kiep.go.kr](http://www.kiep.go.kr), JMP)

Summary This paper considers the role of soft

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limit or significantly curtail the EU’s soft power.

## 2AC China SOI Disadvantage

### Increased aid to Egypt now

25Online, 11-17-’11 (“US Congress Nears Approving Aid however Conditions Expected” http://25online.tv/index.php?option=com\_content&view=article&id=1289%3A2011-12-11-17-40-22&catid=2%3Anews-ticker&Itemid=39&lang=en)

Media sources said a committee of members of

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, health and **democratization** and human rights sectors.

### Link not unique – IMET and military aid exists now – should have triggered Chinese fears

### China doesn’t believe the US is trying to CB it

Jonathan Pollack – Brookings – sept ‘11, The Arab Awakening (book)

Chinese disquiet over abrupt …political authority within China.

### China isn’t activist in the ME

Jonathan Pollack – Brookings – sept ‘11, The Arab Awakening (book)

In the aftermath of the Arab Spring,

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events that it can neither anticipate nor control.

### No China war – only defensive intentions

Swaine, Carnegie, 9-26-’11 (Michael, “Enough Tough Talk on China” The National Interest, http://nationalinterest.org/commentary/enough-tough-talk-china-5934)

These days it is fashionable for pundits to

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to outside influence, not fixed in stone.

### China will blame the US for Egypt inevitably

Hill, Foreign Policy, 2-15-’11 (Fiona, “How Russia and China See the Egyptian Revolution”

http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2011/02/15/how\_russia\_and\_china\_see\_the\_egyptian\_revolution)

Chinese and Russian … and the Middle East.

### NO IMPACT – INEVITABLE RELATIONS CONFLICTS DON’T ESCALATE

MEDEIROS 2006 – RAND RESEARCHER, STRATEGIC HEDGING, WASHINGTON QUARTERLY, VOL 29 NO 1, WINTER

The United States and China are **shadowboxing** each

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armed conflict over Taiwan's status exacerbates these challenges.

## 2AC Jackson-Vanik (Complete)

### Relations resilient – economics

Miznin – Director of studies at the independent Moscow-based Institute of Strategic Assessments, is currently a Leading Research Fellow with the Center of International Security at the Russian Academy of Sciences’ Institute of World Economy and International Relations – ‘8 Victor, Russia’s Nuclear Renaissance, Spring, www.securityaffairs.org/issues/2008/14/mizin.php

Luckily, the next cold war is not

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an underlying premise of Moscow-Washington ties.

### Obama won’t push the plan –

### First – Obama will circumvent Congress with unilateral executive action to get his agenda

Nicholas, 1/1 (Peter, 1/1/2012, LA Times, “Obama's resolution? To limit dealings with Congress,” <http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-na-obama-plans-20120101,0,2595075.story>)

Reporting from Honolulu— Heading into the new

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a solution for the nation's high jobless rate.

### Second, plan implemented by the DOD and funded by the DOS

Moskowitz, Policy Planning Office at Office of Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, ‘8 (Elisa, December, “The creation of Expanded International Military Education and Training (E-IMET)” DISAM Journal)

Funding for IMET (and other Security Assistance

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.S.-origin equipment. (3)

### Plan is not new funding – IMET internal reprogramming

K. AISTON – State Department – Aug 2000, C ONFIDENTIAL STATE 017117 (Memo), http://www.state.gov/documents/organization/165657.pdf

WHEN AF AND DRL MET IN 1994 TO

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ALL OTHER (NON-PARIAH) STATES.

### Only focused on payroll

Lee, 12/30 (Carol E., WSJ Online, 12/30/2011, “White House Looks to Shrunken 2012 Legislative Agenda,” Factiva)

HONOLULU—President Barack Obama heads into 2012

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our children and grandchildren to grow up in."

### E-IMET not controversial

Moskowitz, Policy Planning Office at Office of Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, ‘8 (Elisa, December, “The creation of Expanded International Military Education and Training (E-IMET)” DISAM Journal)

The catalyst for the initiative was the Foreign

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met the intent of Congress. (12)

### Political capital not key – empirically proven

Edwards 3 (George C. Edwards, Distinguished Professor of Political Science at Texas A&M, former Director of the Center for Presidential Studies, Riding High in the Polls: George W. Bush and Public Opinion, <http://www-polisci.tamu.edu/MyDocuments/web/Edwards/Papers%20PDF/work_papers/SP01LegislativeImpact.pdf>)

One of the perennial questions about presidential-

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deference to a widely supported chief executive.44

### Democratic engagement with Egyptian military is a major foreign policy win

Lane, The News Tribune, 2-15-’11 (Charles, “Obama can reap political capital from revolt in Egypt” http://www.thenewstribune.com/2011/02/15/1545321/obama-can-reap-political-capital.html)

Still, even after the resignation of Hosni

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in Egypt over the rest of his term.

## 1AR Politics

### North Korea poses zero nuclear threat

Bandow Sr. Fellow Cato ‘9

(Doug-, June 4, “North Korea: Paper Tiger”, <http://www.campaignforliberty.com/article.php?view=100>; Jacob)

Another day, it must be another weapons

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, it can deter Kim Jong-il.

## 1AR Payroll Gaucho

### Only thing on the agenda

Lander, 1/2 (Mark,

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go-it-alone approach,” Factiva)

After a year in which the White House

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tax cut extension is the last one.’’