### Aid Now – 1AC

#### Aid now to Tunisia

**State 2-25** (US Department of State, “Overview of U.S. Economic Assistance to Tunisia,” 2012, http://www.humanrights.gov/2012/02/27/overview-of-u-s-economic-assistance-to-tunisia/)

Since the Revolution, the United States has

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to submit for Board approval by December 2012.

#### Not for the plan

**Business Week 11** (“Obama Says Tunisia an Inspiration for Spread of Democracy,” http://www.businessweek.com/news/2011-10-07/obama-says-tunisia-an-inspiration-for-spread-of-democracy.html)

Aid for Tunisia The U.S.

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, and political risk insurance, Clinton said.Also aid to Syria

**Barnard 3-25** (Anne, Editor, “U.S. and Turkey to Step Up ‘Nonlethal’ Aid to Rebels in Syria,” NY Times, 2012, http://www.nytimes.com/2012/03/26/world/middleeast/us-and-turkey-to-step-up-nonlethal-aid-to-syrian-rebels.html)

Turkey and the United States plan to provide

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the opposition from the United States and others.

#### Fights over democracy assistance now

**Rogin 3-27** (Josh, “Reid tries to push through Iran sanctions bill,” Foreign Policy, 3-27, http://thecable.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2012/03/27/reid\_tries\_to\_push\_through\_iran\_sanctions\_bill)

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-

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We can't afford to slow down the process."

### Solvency – 1AC

#### Contention : Solvency

#### They’d say yes – homegrown democracy is impossible. US assistance is decisive and aware of sensitivities

**Allen 11** (Michael, Editor – Democracy Digest, “Tunisia: Home-Grown Revolution Needs Foreign Support,” Democracy Digest, 1-27, http://www.demdigest.net/blog/2011/01/home-grown-revolution-needs-foreign-support-say-tunisians/)

The turbulence has given rise to **growing demands**

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ruling parties, do not outmanoeuvre the moderates.”

#### SSR is unique – prefer mechanism-specific evidence

**Sedra 11** (Mark, Senior Fellow – Centre for International Governance Innovation, “Security Sector Transformation in North Africa and the Middle East,” United States Institute for Peace, November, http://www.usip.org/files/resources/SR\_296.pdf)

SSR is not an ideologically neutral concept.

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the same fundamental things from their security systems.

#### SSR places human security over regime security – solves West’s credibility issue

**Sedra 11** (Mark, Senior Fellow – Centre for International Governance Innovation, “Security Sector Transformation in North Africa and the Middle East,” United States Institute for Peace, November, http://www.usip.org/files/resources/SR\_296.pdf)

The Legacy of Western Assistance

For people in the MENA countries, the

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Western security, economic, and political interests.

### Engagement – 1AC

#### Advantage : is Tunisia Engagement

#### Middle East democracy inevitable – just a question of what type of democracy

**Khouri 11** (Rami G., Director of the Issam Fares Institute of Public Policy and International Affairs – American University of Beirut, “Is a Democratic Middle East Inevitable?,” Near East Quarterly, 9-9, http://www.neareastquarterly.com/index.php/2011/09/09/rami-khouri-is-a-democratic-middle-east-inevitable/)

The reality is that most people in the

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will be some countries that do not democratise.

#### That plan retools US assistance – and causes pro-US democracies

**Lightfoot 11** (Jeff, Associate Director of Program on International Security – Atlantic Council, “US Interests in Democratic Mideast,” Boston Globe, 2-23, <http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/editorial_opinion/oped/articles> /2011/02/23/us\_interests\_in\_a\_democratic\_mideast/)

THE RECENT uprisings against authoritarian regimes in the

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policy than most American politicians have yet considered.

#### Tunisia is already making steps towards democracy – engagement sends a broader signal that wins public support – clarity is key

**McInerney 11** (Stephen, Executive Director – Project of Middle East Democracy, “Islamist Victory in Tunisia Presents Opportunity for U.S. Engagement,” Fikra Forum, 11-8, http://fikraforum.org/?p=1685)

On October 23, Tunisia held the first

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U.S. cannot afford to miss.

#### Police reform is key – it’s a form of soft power and a key entry point for engagement

**Sedra 11** (Mark, Senior Fellow – Centre for International Governance Innovation, “Security Sector Transformation in North Africa and the Middle East,” United States Institute for Peace, November, http://www.usip.org/files/resources/SR\_296.pdf)

It is not surprising that the police were

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of many fruitful entry points for international engagement.

#### Absent the plan, new democracies will be anti-US

**Demo Digest 12** (Democracy Digest, “Egypt’s NGO raids signal ‘significant shift’ in democracy assistance,” 1-13, http://www.demdigest.net/blog/2012/01/egypts-ngo-raids-signal-significant-shift-in-democracy-assistance/)

Democracy assistance is now highly contested terrain,

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smarter about the design and delivery of assistance.”

#### Two impacts –

#### First, economic collapse

**Kaahin 11** (Dalmar, Ottawa-based Writer, “Democracy in Arab World—Far More Dangerous to U.S. than 9/11 Terror Attacks,” Somaliand Press, 2-5, http://somalilandpress.com/opdemocracy-in-arab-world%E2%80%94far-more-dangerous-to-u-s-than-911-terror-attacks-19975)

As the iron curtain collapsed in 1989 and

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worse than September 11, 2001 horrific attacks.

#### Extinction

**Auslin 9** (Michael, Resident Scholar – American Enterprise Institute, and Desmond Lachman – Resident Fellow – American Enterprise Institute, “The Global Economy Unravels”, Forbes, 3-6, http://www.aei.org/article/100187)

What do these trends mean in the short

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small explosions that coalesce into a big bang.

#### Second, hegemony

**Street**, 3/5/**2011** (Paul - former visiting professor of United States History at Northern Illinois University, How Much Arab Democracy Can American Stand?, http://www.paulstreet.org/?p=330)

However much hatred it has  evoked in the

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, **undermining** fundamental principles of **global dominance**.”5

#### Specifcally – it undermines cooperation – jacks leadership

**Zambelis**, Autumn **2005** (Chris - researcher for Helios Global, Inc., The Strategic Implications of Political Liberalization and Democratization in the Middle East, Parameters, p. 95-97)

Given the populist credentials of Islamists, the

**AND**

**stra- tegic significance in the 21st century**.

#### Causes great power war

**Kagan 3-14** (Robert – senior fellow of foreign policy at the Center on the United States and Europe, America Has Made the World Freer, Safer and Wealthier, p. http://www.brookings.edu/opinions/2012/0314\_us\_power\_kagan.aspx)

We take a lot for granted about the

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right before the American order came into being.

#### Those goes nuclear

Kagan 7 (Robert, Senior Associate – Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, “End of Dreams, Return of History: International Rivalry and American Leadership”, Policy Review, August/September, http://www.hoover.org/publications/policyreview/8552512.html#n10)

The jostling for status and influence among these

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turn draw the United States back in under unfavorable

### China – 1AC

#### Advantage : China

#### China is rising and gaining influence in Africa and Tunisia is the test case. Only unconditional assistance efforts by the US can crowd out China

**Gvosdev 3-2** (Nikolas, Faculty Member – US Naval War College and Frequent Foreign Policy Contributor and Former Editor – National Interest, “The Realist Prism: Don't Count China Out in Middle East,” World Politics Review, http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/11654/the-realist-prism-dont-count-china-out-in-middle-east)

The conventional wisdom in U.S.

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is better received than the United States expects.

#### Establishing democracy in North Africa sends a broader signal that acts as a brick wall against Chinese influence

**Murray 11** (Eric, Writer – CA, “US Attempts at Countering Chinese Influence in Africa,” Current Analyst – Authoritative Analysis of Current Affairs of Africa, 10-10, http://www.currentanalyst.com/index.php/external-actors/164-us-attempts-at-countering-chinese-influence-in-africa)

The US and Growing Chinese Influence in Africa

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this is the problem of “soft power”.

#### Specifically – it provides a narrative that allows the US to directly counter Chinese influence

**Kaplan 11** (Robert D., Senior Fellow – Center for a New American Security and Correspondent – The Atlantic, “The Middle East Crisis Has Just Begun,” Wall Street Journal, 3-26, http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704050204576218842399053176.html)

Despite the military drama unfolding in Libya,

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and social reform, not on regime change.

#### Tunisia acts a focal point for China’s broader Africa strategy

**Li 6** (Lin, “China, Tunisia to strengthen co-op on African development,” Chinese Government’s Official Web Portal, 5-10, http://www.gov.cn/misc/2006-05/10/content\_277572.htm)

China and Tunisia will work together to advance

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Vice-President Zeng visited Tunisia last year.

#### Chinese influence causes African failed states and Taiwan isolation

**Brookes and Shin 6** (Peter, Director of the Asian Studies Center – Heritage, and Ji Hye, Research Assistant in the Asian Studies Center – Heritage, “China's Influence in Africa: Implications for the United States,” The Heritage Foundation, 2-22, http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2006/02/chinas-influence-in-africa-implications-for-the-united-states)

Amid growing concerns about the People's Republic of

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respect for human rights across the African continent.

#### Taiwan isolation causes a perceived legitimacy crisis

**Brookes 5** (Peter, Senior Fellow for National Security Affairs and Director of the Asian Studies Center – The Heritage Foundation, “China's Influence in the Western Hemisphere,” April 19, Heritage Lecture #873, http://www.heritage.org/research/asiaandthepacific/hl873.cfm)

One of China's tactics is an effort to

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**state would be seriously undermined in Taipei's estimation**.

#### That generates support for Taiwan proliferation – overwhelms your defense

**Galante and Chen 6** (James and Shiuan-Ju, Center for Advanced Defense Studies. “Bubble Tea Diplomacy: The Nuclear Solution to Taiwan's International Recognition," Defense Concepts Serious August 2006 http://www.c4ads.org/files/cads\_report\_bteadiplo\_aug06.pdf)

Taiwan’s unique status, denied the status of

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might engage in this new form of brinksmanship.

#### Taiwanese prolif causes war with China and allied prolif

**Chanda 4** (Amit, Staff Writer – WMA, World Markets Analysis, 10-18, Lexis)

According to David Albright, president of the

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to rethink their own position on nuclear weapons.

#### China war causes extinction

**Johnson 1** (Chalmers, President – Japan Policy Research Institute, The Nation, 4-14, Lexis)

China is another matter. No sane figure

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on China's borders have virtually no deterrent effect.

#### African failed states cause great power wars

**Glick**, 12/12/**2007** (Caroline – senior Middle East fellow at the Center for Security Policy, Condi’s African holiday, p. http://www.centerforsecuritypolicy.org/home.aspx?sid=56&categoryid=56&subcategoryid=90&newsid=11568)

The Horn of Africa is a dangerous and

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which flows through all countries of the region.

#### That goes nuclear.

**Deutsch** **2001** (Dr. Jeffery – founder at Rabid Tiger Project, Rabid Tiger Newsletter, Vol. 2, No. 7, 11-18, p. http://www.rabidtigers.com/rtn/newsletterv2n9.html)

The Rabid Tiger Project believes that a nuclear

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, and some people love to go fishing.

#### Chinese influence in Africa causes Congo deforestation

**Alden and Alves 9** (Dr. Chris, Project Leader for the China in Africa Program – South African Institute of International Affairs, and Cristina, PhD Student – London School of Economics, “China and Africa’s Natural Resources: The Challenges and Implications for Development and Governance,” SAIIA, Occasional Paper 41, September, http://www.voltairenet.org/IMG/pdf/China\_and\_Africa\_s\_Natural\_Resources.pdf)

Traditional development partners are also concerned about the

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to prevent their governments from allowing further abuses.

#### Extinction

**Dusky 8** (Lorraine, Contributing Editor – YI and Award-Winning Environmental Writer, “Champion of a Forest Sanctuary: Sally Jewell Coxe”, Yoga International, May / June, http://www.himalayaninstitute.org/yi/Article.aspx?i d=2834)

Coxe is founder and president of the Bonobo

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very air the world breathes depends on it.

### China Relations DA – 2AC

#### Single issues don’t spillover

**Clarke 11** (Ryan, “Maintaining Baseline Stability in China-U.S. Relations: Alliance Structures, Rethinking Flashpoints, and Identifying New Shared Interests,” EAI Working Paper No. 158, 9-16, http://www.eai.nus.edu.sg/EWP158.pdf)

In recent years we have witnessed an explosion

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analyses in Asia as well as the West.

#### Alt causes

**Bader 12** (Jeffrey A., John C. Whitehead Senior Fellow in International Diplomacy, Foreign Policy, John L. Thornton China Center, “China and the United States: Nixon's Legacy after 40 Years,” Brookings, 2-23, http://www.brookings.edu/opinions/2012/0223\_china\_nixon\_bader.aspx)

The common interests on which Nixon and Mao

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signs of leading, to conflict between us.

### Local Ownership CP – 2AC

####  “Its” means “associated in some way” – control is not required

**CED 98** (Collin English Dictionary, p 817)

Its – of, belong to, or associated in some way with it.

#### No solvency – lack of resources and CP causes political infighting -- makes consensus impossible

**Panarelli**, 2/16/**2010** (Liz – senior program assistant at the United States Institute of Peace, Local Ownership of Security Sector Reform, United States Institute of Peace Brief, Summary of USIP’s Security Sector Reform Working Group – included Timothy Donais – editor of Local Ownership and Security Sector Reform, Adedeji Ebo – chief of the SSR Unit at the United Nations, Marc Cohen – co-author of Protect and Serve or Train and Equip?, Aleisha Amusch – lead SSR researcher at the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre in Canada, and Robert Perito – directs USIP’s Security Sector Governance Initiative, p. 2-3)

One obstacle to promoting local ownership of SSR

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planning and design stages of reform programs unilaterally.

#### Counterplan alone fails – perm allows gradual transition to local ownership – solves best.

**Von Carlowitz**, March **2011** (Leopold – project leader for the German Center for International Peace Operations, Local Ownership in Practice: Justice System Reform in Kosovo and Liberia, Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces, Occasional Paper No. 23, p. 2-3)

Local ownership is defined as a state in

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and negative inputs on the reform process.18

#### The plan alone solves – it incorporates local views

**Kumar**, August **2005** (Krishna – senior social scientist with the Center for Development Information and Evaluation of the United States Agency for International Development, Reflections on International Political Party Assistance, Democratziation, Vol. 12, No. 4, p. 518)

Related to the above problem is the question

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on an assessment of local needs and capabilities.

### Orientalism K – 2AC

#### Alt fails – can’t translate theory into practice AND no spillover

**Chandler 10** (David, Professor of International Relations – University of Westminster, “What Do We Do When We Critique Liberalism?: The Uncritical Critique of ‘Liberal Peace’,” Millennium Conference, 10-17, http://www.davidchandler.org/pdf/papers/Millennium%20Liberal%20Peace.pdf)

It would seem that at the core of

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of a critical alternative embedded in these approaches.

#### Method focus causes endless paradigm wars

**Wendt 98** (Alexander, Professor of International Security – Ohio State University, “On Constitution and Causation in International Relations,” British International Studies Association)

As a community, we in the academic

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one-sided, intolerant caricatures of science.

#### Our scholarship is good – narratives about the Arab spring are self-correcting and moving away from Orientalism.

**Rushworth 12** (Philip, Graduate – London School of Economics and Political Science, “Orientalism Revisited,” Al-bab, 2-23, <http://www.al-bab.com/arab/articles/text/orientalism.htm>)

Evidence for the possibility of plausible representations of

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challenge Orientalism by conveying the complexity of events.

#### We have the best epistemology – critical academia is always wrong and gets shut out by policy elites

**Kramer 1** (Dr. Martin, Editor – Middle East Quarterly, Former Director – Moshe Dayan Center for Middle Eastern and African Studies at Tel Aviv University, Doctorate in Middle Easter Studies – Princeton University, Visiting Professor – University of Chicago, and Fellow – Woodrow Wilson International Center, “Ivory Towers on Sand: The Failure of Middle Eastern Studies in America,” Washington Institute for Near East Policy, No 58, http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/pubPDFs/IvoryTowers.pdf)

Only now have hesitant voices been raised from

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, and what might be done about it.

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While the professors “faked it,” the

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turned out, were not so easily appeased.

#### No impact – threat construction isn’t sufficient to cause wars

**Kaufman 9** (Stuart J., Professor of Political Science and International Relations – University of Delaware, “Narratives and Symbols in Violent Mobilization: The Palestinian-Israeli Case,” Security Studies, 18(3), 400 – 434)

Even when hostile narratives, group fears,

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, chauvinist mobilization, and a security dilemma.

#### Representations don’t influence reality

Tuathail 96 (Gearoid, Department of Geography – Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Political Geography, 15(6-7), p. 664)

While theoretical debates at academic conferences are important

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to the patterned mess that is human history.

### SPP CP

#### Military training is security-driven – causes bad training

**Keller 10** (Dennis E., Retired Colonel – US Army, Faculty Instructor – US Army War College, “U.S. Military Forces and Police Assistance in Stability Operations: The Least-worst Option to Fill the U.S. Capacity Gap,” PKSOI Papers, 8-24, <http://www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil/pubs/display.cfm?pubid=1013>)

As a result, the U.S

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though even then expectations must be kept realistic.

#### Private contracts don’t SSR – minimal oversight and no capacity—prefer comparative evidence

**Keller 10** (Dennis E., Retired Colonel – US Army, Faculty Instructor – US Army War College, “U.S. Military Forces and Police Assistance in Stability Operations: The Least-worst Option to Fill the U.S. Capacity Gap,” PKSOI Papers, 8-24, <http://www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil/pubs/display.cfm?pubid=1013>)

At first glance, it would seem that

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capacity to manage and conduct foreign police training.

#### Congress and State department key to coordination

**Ladwig 7** (Walter, PhD Candidate in International Relations – Merton College, University of Oxford “Training Foreign Police: A Missing Aspect of U.S. Security Assistance to Counterinsurgency,” Comparative Strategy, 26(4), July, 285-293, http://users.ox.ac.uk/~mert1769/Police%20and%20COIN.pdf)

Implementing a coherent centralized capacity to train foreign

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in the United States’ current counterinsurgency assistance capability.

#### Without it, support is ad hoc

**Ladwig 7** (Walter, PhD Candidate in International Relations – Merton College, University of Oxford “Training Foreign Police: A Missing Aspect of U.S. Security Assistance to Counterinsurgency,” Comparative Strategy, 26(4), July, 285-293, http://users.ox.ac.uk/~mert1769/Police%20and%20COIN.pdf)

Domestic police are one of the most important

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to tip them off to insurgent activity.”3

#### Obama’s key to signal US commitment – vital internal link to relations

**Khatib 11** (Lina, Program Manager at the Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law at Stanford University, “The Arab Spring Casts Obama as United States Public Diplomacy Messenger”, August 25, http://uscpublicdiplomacy.org/index.php/newswire/cpdblog\_detail/the\_arab\_spring\_casts\_obama\_as\_united\_states\_public\_diplomacy\_messenger/)

Why is it that Obama has become the

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falling on deaf ears in the Arab world.

### Politics – 2AC

#### Infrastructure collapse inevitable --- not enough assistance

**Donohue**, **3/30**/2012 (Thomas – president and CEO of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Wise Investments in Infrastructure can enhance America’s Dream, Oregon Live, p. http://www.oregonlive.com/opinion/index.ssf/2012/03/pro.html)

But in the years since, we've failed

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economy, create jobs, and increase productivity.

#### Winners win.

**Halloran 10** (Liz, Reporter – NPR, “For Obama, What A Difference A Week Made”, National Public Radio, 4-6, http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=125594396)

Amazing what a win in a major legislative

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now suggest is a losing issue for them.

#### Presidential leadership’s irrelevant

**Jacobs and King 10**, University of Minnesota, Nuffield College, (Lawrence and Desmond, “Varieties of Obamaism: Structure, Agency, and the Obama Presidency,” Perspectives on Politics (2010), 8: 793-802)

 But personality is not a solid foundation

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. Presidential sales pitches go only so far.

#### -- Turn – GOP likes the plan

**Schaefer 3-5** (Brett, Jay Kingham Fellow in International Regulatory Affairs – Heritage Foundation, “More ‘Conservative’ Foreign Aid?,” National Review, http://www.nationalreview.com/articles/292548/more-conservative-foreign-aid-brett-schaefer)

Growth in the international-affairs budget is

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or even the majority of the 150 Account.

**Won’t pass, or it gets watered down**

**Corbin 3-28**-12 (Kenneth, IT World, "Feds warn of cyber threats, seek expanded authority for DHS", http://www.itworld.com/security/263202/feds-warn-cyber-threats-seek-expanded-authority-dhs)

The Department of Homeland Security is at the

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Rep. Lee Terry (R-Neb.).

#### Partisan opposition

**Chabrow 3/28/12** (Eric, Analyst @ GovInfo Security, "Vanishing Bipartisanship over Cybersec," http://www.govinfosecurity.com/blogs.php?postID=1229)

The war of words over the role of

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further evidence of the vanishing bipartisanship on cybersecurity.

#### -- No motive for cyber-terror

Green 2 (Joshua, Editor – Washington Monthly, “The Myth of Cyberterrorism”, Washington Monthly, November,

http://www.washingtonmonthly.com/features/2001/0211.green.html#byline)

Despite all the media alarm about terrorists poised

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, to strike the old-fashioned way.

### Orientalism – 1AR

#### No spill over – orientalist representations are deeply embedded in public sphere. The alt is short-term and emboldens elites which causes cooption

**Colla 3** (Elliott, Associate Professor of Arabic and Islamic Studies – Georgetown University, “Power, Knowledge, and Investment: United States Foreign Policy in the Middle East and the US Public Sphere,” Postcolonial Studies, 6(1), p. 113-121)

How might the arguments of Epic Encounters help

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better explain (and predict) political phenomena.

#### Their link evidence assumes offensive liberalism – the plan is defensive liberalism – avoids the impact

**Miller 10** (Benjamin, Professor of International Relations at the School of Political Sciences – University of Haifa, “Contrasting Explanations for Peace: Realism vs. Liberalism in Europe and the Middle East,” Contemporary Security Policy, 31(1), p. 134-164)

Competing Liberal Conceptions of Peace and Security:

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and women groups, and so on.63