**new 1ac cards**

**Failure to engage the opposition encourages an Israeli strike on Iran**

**Abrams 2-27** (Elliott Abrams, senior fellow on Middle East studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, former advisor on Mideast policy at the National Security Council (NSC), 2-27-12, “America’s Duplicity with the Syrian opposition,” http://www.nationalreview.com/corner/292060/america-s-duplicity-syrian-opposition-elliott-abrams)

This is an amazing policy combination. First, she appears …is the only logical lesson to be derived.

**Strikes cause nuclear war**

**Gaffney 03** (Mark Gaffney, author of Dimona The Third Temple – a study of Israel’s nuclear program and its development, “Will Iran Be Next,” Alternatives: Turkish Journal of International Relations, Vol.2, No.2, Summer 2003, http://www.alternativesjournal.net/volume2/number2/gaffney.pdf)

It is very possible--some would say probable--that the … discuss the reactor at Bushehr first, then the other suspect sites.

**Instability allows al-Qaeda to get Syrian CBWs**

**Saab et al. 3-13** (Bilal Y. Saab, Research Analyst at the Saban Center for Middle East Policy at the Brookings Institution, visiting fellow at the Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Chen Kane, Senior Research Associate at the Center for Nonproliferation Studies Washington, and Leonard Spector, Deputy Director of the Center for Nonproliferation Studies, Foreign Policy, 3-13-12, ‘Assad’s toxic assets,” http://mideast.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2012/03/13/assads\_toxic\_assets?hidecomments=yes)

Loss of control to terrorist groups: In the heat of intense battle …and munitions storages that are scattered across the country.

**They’ll use them for global attacks**

Sharmine **Narwani** is a commentary writer and political analyst covering the Middle East, **3/22**/2012, "Turning Point on the Syrian Front:Dealmaking in Search of a Face-Saving Exit," mrzine.monthlyreview.org/2012/narwani220312.html

In Washington in particular, alarm bells have been ringing since …**fan those flames right back in the direction of the United States and its allies**.

**CBW transfer causes regional war**

**Bronner 2-21** (Ethan Bronner, former NYT Jerusalem bureau chief, now covering legal affairs, 2-21-12, “Israel watches Syria, hopefully, but warily,” http://www.nytimes.com/2012/02/22/world/middleeast/israel-both-hopeful-and-fearful-about-unrest-in-syria.html)

As a result, Israeli officials and intelligence analysts say they … Hezbollah’s hands, Israel would most likely not attack, it said.

**Nuclear war**

**SCHNEIDER 1997**(Barry, Director of the USAF Counterproliferation Center at Air University, Maxwell AFB, Alabama, and an Associate Professor of International Relations in the Department of Future Conflict Studies at the U.S. Air War College., Future War and Counterproliferation, 72-73

As a result, today, in the

AND American public might demand harsh nuclear retribution.

**Syrian arsenal is uniquely risky – possess many different agents and delivery mechanisms**

**Rosenberg 1-19** (David Rosenberg, Israel bureau chief for Bloomberg News and business editor of The Jerusalem Post, author of two books, 1-19-12, “Worries grow over Syria chemical weapons arsenal,” http://www.jpost.com/MiddleEast/Article.aspx?id=254369)

But Syria’s chemical weapons horde is believed to be many … also stockpile artillery shells and rockets filled with chemicals.

**A2 hezbollah lashout**

**No Hezbollah lashout**

**Weiss 11** (Michael Weiss, communications and acting research director of the Henry Jackson Society, December 2011, “Intervention in Syria? An assessment of legality, logistics, and hazards,” <http://www.henryjacksonsociety.org/cms/harriercollectionitems/SyriaIntervention.pdf>)

Although it is true that Hezbollah has already begun … with logistical assistance from Western intelligence assets.

**A2 iran lashout**

**Iran won’t lash out – they’re pragmatic**

**Weiss 11** (Michael Weiss, communications and acting research director of the Henry Jackson Society, December 2011, “Intervention in Syria? An assessment of legality, logistics, and hazards,” <http://www.henryjacksonsociety.org/cms/harriercollectionitems/SyriaIntervention.pdf>)

The Hezbollah-IRGC-QF-Assad nexus strongly indicates … to avoid or prepare for a large-scale strike on Iran’s nuclear weapons program.

**Tax Credit/Private Aid CP 2AC**

**Conditionality’s a voter – skews 2AC offense making strategic coverage impossible and creates poor decisionmaking choices because gives incentive to go for least covered positions – dispo solves offense**

**Perm do both**

**Perm do the CP – funding is a question of implementation**

**Official US funding key to solve**

**Pozen 6**

(JD-Yale Law School, “Remapping the Charitable Deduction”, 39 Conn. L. Rev. 531)

While I have seen no other commentators identify the charitable … increase in goodwill, in addition to mitigating oversight burdens and other foreign policy concerns.

**CP fails & destroys cred**

**Dobransky 11**

(Adjunct Professor-Poli Sci-Cleveland State University, http://www.unc.edu/depts/diplomat/item/2011/0104/comm/dobransky\_coming.html)

The argument against privatized foreign aid is … to a potential **loss of U.S. credibility**.

**Links to politics**

**Mankiw 07** (Harvard professor of economics, http://gregmankiw.blogspot.com/2007/10/alternative-to-foreign-aid.html)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2007

An Alternative to Foreign Aid

Justin Muzinich and Eric Werker (the latter an … American jobs to third-world sweatshops tax credit."

**Jackson-Vanik 2AC**

**No relations collapse – tensions are compartmentalized**

**Weitz 11** (Richard Weitz is a senior fellow at the Hudson Institute and a World Politics Review senior editor, 9-27-11, “Putin not a game-changer for US-Russia ties,” http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/10140/global-insights-putin-not-a-game-changer-for-u-s-russia-ties)

Fifth, there will inevitably be areas of

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since they will likely **remain limited and compartmentalized**.

**Relations fail – US election campaign**

**Ivanov 3/14** (Eugene Ivanov, Massachusetts-based political commentator “You shall love your enemy,” 3/14/12) <http://rbth.ru/articles/2012/03/14/you_shall_love_your_enemy_15058.html>

Well, it wasn’t. In the heat

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Anti-Russian sentiments are widespread in Congress,

**Won’t pass**

**Eremenko 3-28** ("Alexey, "Anti-Russian Amendment Now Headache for US," Ria Novosti, en.ria.ru/analysis/20120328/172439008.html)

Economic sanctions against Russia imposed by the United

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committee head Senator John Kerry said on Tuesday.

**Aid now to Syria**   
**Al Arabiya, 3/7**/2012, "U.S. considers ‘non-lethal’ aid to Syrian opposition, says Panetta," [www.alarabiya.net/articles/2012/03/07/199241.html](http://www.alarabiya.net/articles/2012/03/07/199241.html)

United States defense secretary Leon Panetta said on

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, he told the Senate Armed Services Committee.

**Fights now – transit and banks**

**Weisman, 3/28**

Jonathan, NYT, “Business Bets on the G.O.P. May Be Backfiring”, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/03/29/business/with-bank-teetering-a-bet-on-the-gop-backfires.html>, BJM

If anything, the anger over the stalled

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a stand-alone bill, and fast.

**Winners win**

**Singer** **2009** 3/3 (Jonathan, MY DD [Direct Democracy], http://www.mydd.com/story/2009/3/3/191825/0428)

Peter Hart gets at a key point.

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energy reform to ending the war in Iraq.

**Plan popular**

**Rivoli 2-10** (Dan Rivoli, US reporter for the International Business Times, 2-10-12, “Syria Protests: U.S. Senators Ask Administration to Increase Aid to Opposition,” <http://www.ibtimes.com/articles/296836/20120210/syria-protests-senate-resolution.htm>)

A group of senators Friday called for the

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Syria and calling for Assad to step down.

**Iran DA**

**Iran is deterrable**

**Davis et al. 2011** (Lynn E. Davis, senior political scientist at the RAND Corporation, and serves as director of RAND's Washington office, Jeffrey Martini, Jeffrey Martini is a Middle East research project associate at the RAND Corporation, Alireza Nader, International Policy Analyst at RAND, Dalia Dassa Kaye, senior political scientist at RAND, James T. Quinlivan, senior operations analyst at RAND, Paul Steinberg, Communications Analyst at the RAND Corporation, “Iran’s Nuclear Future: Critical U.S. Policy Choices,” RAND, http://www.dtic.mil/cgi-bin/GetTRDoc?AD=ADA540220&Location=U2&doc=GetTRDoc.pdf)

Influencing Iran turns importantly on whether it can

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sovereignty, and expanding its regional influence.9

**Syria is totally irrelevant to Iran prolif**

Giora **Eiland**, Head of the Israeli National Security Council and National Security Advisor to the Prime Minister, Strategic Assessment, 9.4, March **2007**, http://www.tau.ac.il/jcss/sa/9\_4\_07.html

The first reason concerns what *cannot* be obtained

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a peace treaty with Syria or lack thereof.

*--A2 lashout impact--*

**Risk of escalation deters lashout**

Barry **Posen**, Prof of Political Science at MIT, The International Herald Tribune February 28, **2006** [We Can Live With a Nuclear Iran]

The final concern is that a nuclear Iran

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in the face of an Iranian nuclear arsenal.

**death cult 2ac**

**We must investigate extinction—anxiety is good because it has the potential to destroy the social world—being-towards-extinction fails**

**Kennedy 07** (Greg, PhD U of Ottowa, An Ontology of Trash, pg. 170-1)

The phenomenon of extinction is the technological ersatz

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that is, the detemporalization of human being.

**Fear of death contributes to progressive movements to eliminate risks – disarmament movement proves**

**Dhanpala**, Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs at the United Nations, **2001** [Jayantha, “SUSTAINING PEOPLE-CENTRED DISARMAMENT,” UN Chronicle, 02517329, Mar-May2001, V. 38, I. 1, p. ebsco]

The fact that today, over a half

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, to advance collective ends with fewer arms.

**AT: Coercion**

**Turn—elevating rights over extinction destroys their value & causes extinction**

**Schell, 82** (Jonathan, writer for the New Yorker and nuclear weapons expert, The Fate of the Earth)

For the generations that now have to decide

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generations, and let human life go on.

**No alternative means it’s a non-unique disad – taxpayers are charged money every day meaning violation of rights is inevitable**

**Internal link is empirically denied**

**Amy 7,** professor of Politics at Mount Holyoke College, (Douglas, “More Government Does Not Mean Less Freedom,” Government is Good, <http://governmentisgood.com/articles.php?aid=18&print=1>)

The minimal-government crowd uses this “

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**by first taking over the health department**.7

**2ac collapse now**

**Collapse now – opposition unifying, defections increasing, sanctions working**

**Democracy Digest 3-13** (Assad ‘losing control’ as Syrian opposition unites? http://www.demdigest.net/blog/2012/03/assad-losing-control-as-syrian-opposition-unites/)

A year after the protests began, the

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the country will fall out of its control.”

**Demographics & withering regime support**

**Gambill 3-22** (Gary C. Gambill, a Philadelphia-based political analyst, has published widely on Lebanese and Syrian affairs. “Syria: a strategic non-intervention,” http://nationalinterest.org/commentary/strategic-non-intervention-syria-6674)

But this is not an ordinary situation.

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their days of governing Syria will be over.

**1ar annan plan fails**

**Annan plan worsens violence**

Aaron David **Miller**, a former State Department official and a distinguished scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, **3/29**/2012, "Will Annan Save Assad?" www.nytimes.com/2012/03/29/opinion/will-annan-save-assad.html?pagewanted=print

Although it is well intentioned, Mr.

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It even relieves pressure on Washington to act.

**Annan plan doesn’t change anything**

Michael **Young**, The Daily Star, **3/29**/2012, "The Annan plan will bring more violence," www.dailystar.com.lb/Opinion/Columnist/2012/Mar-29/168302-the-annan-plan-will-bring-more-violence.ashx#axzz1qYsIPzlA

The Syrian regime has accepted this proposal,

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on to a presidential statement backing Annan’s mission.

**Nope – Assad’s lying – Syria experts agree**

**Lynch 3-27** (Colum Lynch, UN writer for the Washington Post, 3-27-12, “Is Annan’s Syria cease-fire worth the paper it’s printed on?” http://turtlebay.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2012/03/27/is\_annans\_syria\_cease\_fire\_worth\_the\_paper\_its\_printed\_on)

Kofi Annan today announced a rare breakthrough in

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practical actions not by its often empty words."

**1ar turkey solves**

**Turkey not acting assertively**

Jon **Hemming**, Arab News, **3/23**/2012, "Turkey recalibrates its approach to Syria," arabnews.com/opinion/columns/article592427.ece

The Syrian insurrection has tested the limits of

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**are certainly in a bit of a stalemate**.”

**Turkey has taken few steps, and most have been counter-productive**

**Byman et al 12**, Daniel Byman is a professor in the Security Studies Program at Georgetown University and the research director at the Saban Center, March 2012, "Saving Syria: Assessing Optionsfor Regime Change," Daniel Byman, Michael Doran, Kenneth Pollack, and Salman Shaikh, www.brookings.edu/~/media/Files/rc/papers/2012/0315\_syria\_saban/0315\_syria\_saban.pdf

Turkey’s participation would be vital for success,

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insistent on the primacy of the Muslim Brotherhood.

**1ar collapse inev**

**Collapse is inevitable – economic and international isolation – army doesn’t solve**

**Economist, 3/24**/2012, "Bashar’s pyrrhic triumphs," www.economist.com/node/21551085

Mr Assad’s strategy has, in other words

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must now move,” warns an SNC spokesman.

**Defections, economy, and guerrilla tactics ensure Assad collapse**

**Blaser 3-11** (Noah Blaser, writer for Today’s Zaman, 3-11-12, “The intervention waiting game: a window for a new opposition?” http://www.todayszaman.com/news-273912-the-intervention-waiting-game-a-window-for-a-new-opposition.html)

But as the brutality of Damascus’ crackdown has

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the country will fall out of its control.”

**Economy destroys business class support**

**Cheney 3-22** (Catherine Cheney, World Politics Review's Trend Lines Reporter, BA & MA in political science from Yale, 3-22-12, “Syria’s economy devastated by unrest, sanctions,” http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/trend-lines/11764/syrias-economy-devastated-by-unrest-sanctions)

Ayesha Sabavala, the Economist Intelligence Unit’s editor

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that they “will only make matters worse.”

**Violence and regime change inevitable now**

Marwan **Bishara** is Al Jazeera's senior political analyst, **3/20**/2012, "Fast-forward Syria: Three terrible scenarios and one good option," www.aljazeera.com/indepth/opinion/2012/03/2012320145220814960.html

But time is NOT on Assad's side.

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. Time is a luxury Syria can't afford.

**Assad will fall – can’t hold on forever**

Dominic **Evans**, political analyst, **3-14**-2012, “Analysis: One year on, Syria's Assad won't bow to uprising,” Reuters, http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/03/14/us-syria-assad-idUSBRE82D0V720120314

Bashar is delegitimized and cannot stay in the

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the end can take a very long time."

**Assad will fall – military collapsing – PoE cites top Genera**

**PTI, 3-10**-2012, “Syrian army close to collapse, says defecting top General ,” http://www.dnaindia.com/world/report\_syrian-army-close-to-collapse-says-defecting-top-general\_1660585

The days of Syrian President Bashar al-

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that the Syrian regime's downfall could be near.

**Assad will fall – Damascus and Asma unpopularity**

Amiel **Ungar**, political analyst, **3-19**-2012, “Damascus Fighting and Wife’s Emails Dent Myth of Assad Control, http://www.israelnationalnews.com/News/News.aspx/153927#.T2e8amtA7Ak

The two major items about Syria in today's

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between the Saudis and the Assad regime. T

**Assad will collapse this year**

Simon **Collis**, UK ambassador to Syria, **3-10**-2012, “Interview: UK ambassador to Syria Simon Collis ,” http://m.asharq-e.com/content/1331391034745978700/Published%20-%20Features

[Asharq Al-Awsat] Do you

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sanctions have also had an effect on this.

**1ar Collapse Inev – A2: Kill Way to Victory**

**Assad can’t win militarily – opposition too widespread**

**Guardian, 3/2**/2012, "Syria: no road back," www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2012/mar/02/syria-no-road-back

The conflict may be militarised, but it

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**slow, grinding end of the Assad dynasty.**

**1ar Collapse Inev – A2: 55% Want Assad**

**55% figure is wrong – bad survey methodology**

Survey’s sample of Syrians was just 97 people who have Internet access

**Sabir 1-19** (Nureddin Sabir, Editor, Redress Information & Analysis, 1-19-12, “Syria, the myth of Assad’s popularity and the media of disinformation,” http://www.redress.cc/global/nsabir20120119)

Could it be true that most Syrians are

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internet users surveyed wanted Assad to remain president.

*\*Whitaker’s quals added in brackets – Gabrielle*

**1ar landis indict**

**Landis is a biased hack**

**Young 07** (Michael Young, opinion page editor of the Daily Star – Lebanese newspaper, former English publications editor at the Lebanese Center for Policy Studies, M.A. in international relations, 3-15-07, “The blogosphere’s foreign informant,” http://www.campus-watch.org/article/id/3109)

What is it about the blogosphere that can

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thing is, his overall value has dived.