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## A2 T - Direct Assistance

### 1. We meet – the specific type of training we give is democratic by teaching Yemeni police about due process, proper investigative techniques, and peaceful riot control.

### 2. Counter-Interpretation – Democracy assistance is rule of law and three other things.

Azpuru ’11 (Dinorah, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Wichita State University, “The Promotion of Democracy: Actors and Methods,” *Achieving Democracy: Democratization in Theory and Practice*)

Figure 14.2 shows, by sector

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least amount of aid was channeled to elections.

### 4. We meet the counter-interpretation – police training strengthens democratic rule of law.

Grono ’11 (Nick, Deputy President of Crisis Group, <http://www.crisisgroup.org/en/publication-type/speeches/2011/testimony-to-dutch-parliament-afghanistan-police-mission.aspx>, 1/24)

A well-trained police force is also

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and better governance are all out of reach.

### 5. Their interpretation is overlimiting – only allows for targeting countries that are already initiating elections or transitions which rules out half the topic.

### 6. Our interpretation is most predictable – preserves all cases with democratic intent while limiting out general cases of military or security aid.

### 7. They kill aff ground – only advantage ground allowed is democracy since that’s the only way of determining “democratic purpose.”

### 8. Generics check – arguments like the World Bank counterplan and cap k check any limits or ground arguments, the neg will always be prepared to debate.

### 9. Reasonability—

### (a) Good is good enough—our interpretation provides predictable limits and fair ground, satisfying the purpose of T as a voter.

### (b) “Best interpretation” is a myth since marginal differences in limits and ground are subjective and are outweighed by loss of aff flexibility.

### (c) Neutrality—their evidence does not support their interpretation—it’s skewed to mislead you.

Brudney & Ditslear, ‘8

(James, law prof at Ohio State & Corey, poli sci prof at U of North Texas, 29 Berkeley J. Emp. & Lab. L. 117, lexis)

Critics of legislative history have ... this record to help justify their preferred policy result.

## Case

### Yemeni based AQAP will strike Saudi oil facilities

Murphy ’10 (AQAP’s Growing Security Threat to Saudi Arabia Jun 03, 2010 Caryle Murphy Caryle Murphy is an independent journalist based in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. A former reporter for the Washington Post, she was awarded the 1990 Pulitzer Prize for International Reporting. She is the author of Passion For Islam.

AQAP is now a major security threat to

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they are threatening…This is their danger.”

### Attack on Saudi oil causes a global oil shock

Sokolski ‘5 (Sokolski, Executive Director of the Nonproliferation Policy Education Center, 2005 (Henry, Testimony before the House International Relations Committee, 2/16, http://www.internationalrelations.house.gov/archives/109/sok021605.pdf)

Iran also has a history of supporting terrorist

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to European states, Russia, and China.

### Saudi oil shock causes extinction

Henderson ‘7 (Climate Change, Peak Oil And Nuclear War By Bill Henderson 24 February, 2007 Countercurrents.org

A steep spike in the price of oil

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serious talk of pre-emptive nuclear attack.

## A2 Nuke Treaty

### Perm – Do Both

### Treaty doesn’t solve – lack accountability and enforcement

PAVEL PODVIG | 22 FEBRUARY 2012 A physicist trained at the Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Podvig works as a research associate at Stanford University's Center for International Security and Cooperation. Toward a better Nuclear Security Summit <http://thebulletin.org/web-edition/columnists/pavel-podvig/toward-better-nuclear-security-summit>

And yet, while the global community has

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others -- have not yet ratified the accord.

### Links to politics

National Journal 3/12/12 “Legislative Quagmire Grips Nuclear-Security Pacts in U.S.” http://www.nationaljournal.com/congress/legislative-quagmire-grips-nuclear-security-pacts-in-u-s--20120312

Spokespeople for every participating committee turned down requests

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acknowledged “some overlap” with existing statutes.

### Doesn’t solve for ME stockpiles

### CP object fiat – ends military conflict in Yemen – abusive since the topical countries should be affirmative ground and we can’t argue against what we’re supposed to affirm, voter for fairness and edu

## A2 2 CP

### Perm – Do Both

### Perm – do the plan and the first plank

### Solves the link to relations – would reassure the Saudis that we’re invested on counter terror

### CP doesn’t solve case – economic assistance irrel – still hate the US

### Links to politics

### CP can’t solve - counterterror

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### No pass – GOP blocks

Inside U.S. Trade - 03/30/2012 McDermott Blames Republicans For Holding Trade Bills Hostage This Year http://insidetrade.com/Inside-US-Trade/Inside-U.S.-Trade-03/30/2012/mcdermott-blames-republicans-for-holding-trade-bills-hostage-this-year/menu-id-172.html

Rep. Jim McDermott (D-WA

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he would benefit from it," he said.

### No pass – takes 4 months

Inside U.S. Trade - 03/16/2012 Baucus Eyes Russia MFN Vote After Duma Ratifies WTO Accession

He signaled that it was still early in

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out the right way to deal with it."

A pro-Russia MFN lobbyist said it

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a potential Senate floor vote, he said.

### No compromise on Magnitsky now.

Josh Rogin 3/29 Lugar’s endorsement pushes Magnitsky Act forward Foreign Policy http://thecable.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2012/03/29/lugar\_s\_endorsement\_pushes\_magnitsky\_act\_forward

According to several congressional aides, that request

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"We want to see where Magnitsky goes."

## Politics Link Level

### Tax debate moving up now – will tank capital

Politico 3/29 GOP may accelerate major tax votes - John Bresnahan and Jake Sherman - POLITICO.com

The tax debate cometh — and sooner than

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GOP allies in corporate America and the affluent.

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###  ( ) No spillover.

Matthew Dickinson, ’9 Professor of political science at Middlebury College. He taught previously at Harvard University, where he also received his Ph.D., working under the supervision of presidential scholar Richard Neustadt, 5/29, “Sotomayor, Obama and Presidential Power” <http://blogs.middlebury.edu/presidentialpower/2009/05/26/sotamayor-obama-and-presidential-power/>

Despite the much publicized and celebrated instances of

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the decision to present Sotomayor as his nominee.

### Aid and Pressure to reform military to Yemen now

Yemen News Agency 3/28 Feltman calls for restructuring military institution in Yemen

 [28/March/2012]

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sabanews.net/en/news264464.htm

SANA'A, March 28 (Saba) -

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to Yemen in 2012 to $ 55 million.

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### ( ) Winners win.

Green 10 – professor of political science at Hofstra University (David Michael Green, 6/11/10, " The Do-Nothing 44th President ", http://www.opednews.com/articles/The-Do-Nothing-44th-Presid-by-David-Michael-Gree-100611-648.html)

Moreover, there is a continuously evolving and

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Thomas, this is precisely what they did.

### Counterinsurgency assistance to Yemen is unanimously bipartisan

Scahill ’11 (Jeremy, The Nation, “The Dangerous US Game in Yemen,” 3/30, <http://www.thenation.com/article/159578/dangerous-us-game-yemen?page=0,3>)

It was the Bush administration that declared the

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going to go on for a long time.”

### Terrorism outweighs their links – biggest issue for Congress.

NewsMax, ’10 (http://www.newsmax.com/Newsfront/US-Obama-Terror-Politics/2010/01/21/id/347631)

Terrorism is creeping back to the forefront of

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issues, but it was already a priority."

###  ( ) Congress and specifically McCain love the plan.

Al-Azaki 10 (Mohammed, reporter for THE YEMEN POST, "CLOSELY OBSERVING COUNTRY’S SITUATION, US ADMINISTRATION ADVISED TO GIVE HAND TO YEMEN" 4-10-2010. <http://yemenpost.net/Detail123456789.aspx?ID=3&SubID=1177&MainCat=6> ) JCP

A US Congress delegation chaired by former Republican

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– including operations by NATO inside Yemeni lands.

### McCain key – overcomes links.

Adams, CQ Weekly, 8 (Rebecca, 11/8/08 (“CQ Weekly Vantage Point: Farewell or a Future? McCain Still Has Role as Bipartisan Dealmaker,” LN)

A likelier scenario, observers say, is

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last years in the Senate reinforcing that image.”

### And terrorism is the reason why democracy assistance is immune to criticism – dodges your generic links.

Democracy Digest 9/8/11 “9/11 restored bipartisan consensus on strategic value of democracy assistance” <http://www.demdigest.net/blog/2011/09/911-restored-bipartisan-consensus-on-strategic-value-of-democracy-assistance/>

“The terrorist attack of **9/11**

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*division*here at home is worthy of note.”

### Alt cause -- Can’t overwhelm the litany of issues.

-NATO Expansion -Contest for Eurasia -Georgia -Caucuses

Bhadrakumar, ‘9 (Was a career diplomat in the Indian Foreign Service7/11/ p. http://www.atimes.com/atimes/Central\_Asia/KG11Ag01.html

Three, does the reset itself, therefore

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conflict in the Caucasus, and so on.

### no Russia war.

-Politics -Military Superiority -Economic Concerns -Nuclear Security

Graham, ‘7 Thomas Graham, senior advisor on Russia in the US National Security Council staff 2002-2007, September 2007, "Russia in Global Affairs” July - September 2007, The Dialectics of Strength and Weakness

An astute historian of Russia, Martin Malia

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more constructive long-term relations with Russia.

## A2 Saudi Arabia

### Saudis already doubt our security guarantees.

John Hannah, 1/9/12 former national security advisor to Vice President Dick Cheney, is a senior fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies. LA Times The U.S.: MIA in the Mideast http://www.latimes.com/news/opinion/commentary/la-oe-hannah-mideast-20120109,0,4362289.story

The signposts are there for anyone who cares

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which had stood for more than 60 years.

### Link turn – Saudi Arabia supports Mohsin – plan strengthens that part of the revolution – that’s the 1AC Hill evidence

### The plan solves US-Saudi relations – terrorism is the one definitive area of cooperation and it definitely outweighs your link.

Boucek 9/12/11 (Christopher, Associate in the Carnegie Endowment Middle East Program, “Terrorism out of Saudi Arabia,” <http://www.carnegieendowment.org/2011/09/12/terrorism-out-of-saudi-arabia/53pw#yemen>)

Saudi Arabia’s influence and interest in combating terrorists

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both countries recognize the importance of the relationship.

### No seller or motivation for Saudi Arabia to nuclearize – US security guarantees solve.

Gawdat Bahgat - professor, National Defense University - Winter 2011, A Nuclear Arms Race in the Middle East: Myth or Reality?, Mediterranean Quarterly 22:1, http://mq.dukejournals.org/content/22/1/27.full.pdf

Despite the fact that no evidence points to

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likely to ignite a regional nuclear arms race.

### Relations lowest EVER

Plant 9/4 Harsh V. writer, India Business-standard, 9/4/11 Harsh V Pant: A new balance of power in the Middle Easthttp://www.business-standard.com/india/news/harsh-v-pantnew-balancepower-inmiddle-east/447953/

The brutal crackdown in Bahrain posed the greatest

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to back Shiites in Bahrain or Saudi Arabia.

### Non-unique US Veto of Palestinian statehood collapses US Saudi relations now – overwhelms all other cooperation.

Sydney Morning Herald 9/14/11 http://www.smh.com.au/world/saudi-arabia-warns-off-us-on-palestinian-veto-20110913-1k7rp.html#ixzz1YJl3EL00

A FORMER head of Saudi Arabian intelligence and

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far more independent and assertive foreign policy.''

### AQAP will enable piracy and cut off the Red Sea.

Guzansky et al ’11 (Yoel, Gallia Lindenstrauss, and Jonathan Schachter, Research Associates at the Institute for National Security Studies, “Power, Pirates, and Petroleum: Maritime Chokepoints in the Middle East,” *Strategic Assessment*, Volume 14, Number 2, July 2011, <http://www.cbrne-terrorism-newsletter.com/resources/INSS%20-%20Strategic%20Assessment%20July_2011.pdf>)

Though states’ interests in the Red Sea area

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of these states are a widely shared interest.

### Turns oil shocks.

Guzansky et al ’11 (Yoel, Gallia Lindenstrauss, and Jonathan Schachter, Research Associates at the Institute for National Security Studies, “Power, Pirates, and Petroleum: Maritime Chokepoints in the Middle East,” *Strategic Assessment*, Volume 14, Number 2, July 2011, <http://www.cbrne-terrorism-newsletter.com/resources/INSS%20-%20Strategic%20Assessment%20July_2011.pdf>)

There are numerous strategic ramifications to transport in

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total imports and exports pass through the port.

### Consensus of analysts agree that revenue recycling and economic flexibility mean no impact to oil shocks

Taylor and Van Doren 07 (Jerry and Peter, sr fellows at Cato Institute, “No need to fear oil shocks,” National Post; Financial Post, Canada, lexis)

Although oil prices hit US$80,

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macroeconomic mischief wrongly blamed on crude oil markets.

### Turn – If the DA links then we solve US influence and your impacts are untrue.

Nasr, Professor of International Politics at Tufts, 11 (5/23, Will the Saudis Kill the Arab Spring?, http://www.islamtimes.org/getfcede.w6dtea7riw.html)

Saudi Arabia s new posture is a serious

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policies at this critical juncture in their history.

### Case turns DA - AQAP attack causes regional war in the Middle East.

Riedel ’11 (Bruce, Senior Fellow in the Saban Center at the Brookings Institution, “Where al Qaeda is Winning,” 6/27, <http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2011/06/27/yemen-s-descent-into-chaos-spurs-al-qaeda-s-rise.html>)

Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula is a

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grim for everyone but al Qaeda in Yemen.

### Link turn – plan actually reduces threatening US presence in the region – eliminates airstrike strategy and US military footprint.

### No Mid East conventional escalation:

### (a) No regional spillover

Steven A. Cook (fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations) Ray Takeyh (fellows at the Council on Foreign Relations) and Suzanne Maloney (senior fellow at Saban Center) June 28 ’7 “Why the Iraq war won't engulf the Mideast”, International Herald Tribune

Finally, there is no precedent for Arab

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local conflicts from enveloping the entire Middle East.

### (b) No global spillover

Dr. Gwynne Dyer (lecturer on international affairs) October 21 ‘1 “The World Turned Upside Down?”, International Affairs, http://peernet.lbpc.ca/thelink/102502/04IntAffDyer.html

How bad could it get? Very bad

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. Things are actually changing for the better.

### (c) Empirical proof

Kevin Drum September 9 200’7 The Washington Monthly, “The Chaos Hawks”

Needless to say, this is nonsense.

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war for a decade. No regional conflagration.

### No impact – Saudi Arabia is realigning with Iran now

Wouk 9/6 (Joseph, JD, Author, Scuds, Duds & Tyre and Google LDN!, “Iran warns over NATO’s anti-missile radar in Turkey” 9/6/11 <http://warsclerotic.wordpress.com/>)

The conversation between President Barack Obama and Saudi

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3.3 a day for gardening work.

### Relations low now – Bahrain protests and Saudi disapproval of Arab Spring

Shafee 8/5/11, Mamoud, attorney and freelance Middle East analyst based in Washington, D.C. “For Iran, Setbacks Outweigh Gains in Arab Spring”, http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/9695/for-iran-setbacks-outweigh-gains-in-arab-spring

Next door in Libya, unrest has kept

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**that Bahrain's repressed Shiite majority share with Iran**.

### Relations strained – Palestinian state

Fleming, 8/28/11, Eilen, Salem News, “Come September: The UN, Palestine, Israel, Vanunu and a Syrian Connection”, http://www.salem-news.com/articles/august282011/vanunu-video-ef.php

“While making empty promises about dialogue with

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**Arab ally is highly unusual.” [2]**

### NU—Saudi Relations the worst that they have been in a decade

Cooper and Landler ‘11 (Helene and Mark, NY Times, “Interests of Saudi Arabia and Iran Collide, With the U.S. in the Middle” 3/17/11 <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/03/18/world/18diplomacy.html>)

WASHINGTON — The brutal crackdown in Bahrain poses

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WikiLeaks as “very Western in his approach.”