# Rd 2 - Neg vs Liberty BH

## 1NC – Politics

### China Currency Manipulation bill won’t pass now – Republican leaders holding the line but pressure building

The Hill 12/27/11 “Treasury: China not a … /201459-treasury-chinas-not-a-currency-manipulator

Even though the House passed … currency appreciate at a faster rate.

### Foreign aid spending kills Republican leadership – Boehner won’t be able to corral votes

Hulse 11

Carl Hulse, NY Times, 2/9/11, House Republicans Battle Turmoil in Their Ranks, [www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html)

Under pressure to make deeper … was described as a productive lunch.

### Causes economic collapse and a US-China war – defense doesn’t apply

Martin 10-7-11

(Patrick, WSWS, “Anti-China rhetoric raises threat of war,” [www.wsws.org/articles/2011/oct2011/pers-o07.shtml](http://www.wsws.org/articles/2011/oct2011/pers-o07.shtml))

The White House, together with … of their close economic ties.

### Nuclear extinction

(STRAIT TIMES, June 25, 2K, Pg. l/n)  
  
THE … see the destruction of civilization

## 1NC – T – Democracy Asisstance

### A. Interpretation - Fostering democracy must be the primary focus of the plan

Carothers 2000 (Thomas vice president for … Democracy Assistance” American Democracy Promotion )

The term ‘democracy assistance’ is … falls into three general categories.

## 1NC – T – Substantial

### A. Interpretation – substantial is quantitative

Merriam-Webster 11

(<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/substantially>, accessed 1-3-12)

Definition of SUBSTANTIAL 1 a : consisting of … : significantly great <earned a substantial wage>

### Substantial is $2.5 billion in context of democracy assistance

Carothers, Vice President of the Carnegie Endowment for Peace, 2009

(Thomas, “Revitalizing U.S. democracy assistance: the challenge of USAID, <http://carnegieendowment.org/files/revitalizing_democracy_assistance.pdf>, accessed 1-3-12) JDB

Over the past 25 years, the … in the democracy aid domain.

## 1NC – EU CP – EU Cred NB

### Text: The European Union should increase democracy assistance for Yemen by establishing an International Counter-Narcotics and Law Enforcement program for Yemen in order to support the rule of law.

### CP solves and is key to EU credibility

Ash et al, Professor of European Studies at Oxford, 2011

(Timothy Garton; Emma Bonino, Italian Senate vice president; Mark Leonard, European Council on Foreign Relations director; Ana Palacio, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Spain; Daniel Sachs, CEO of Proventus AB; and all of the above serve on the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Europe and Central Asia, "Europe Must Rise to the Challenges Presented by the Arab Spring," Huffington Post, 06/3/11, [www.huffingtonpost.com/emma-bonino/post\_2032\_b\_870924.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/emma-bonino/post_2032_b_870924.html)) JDB

Europe's response to the Arab … to rise to the events.

### That’s key to prevent extinction

Bruton, former prime minister of Ireland, 2002

(John, also former ambassador of the EU to the US, “The Future of the European Union,” The Irish Times, 01/31/02, 195.7.33.33/newspaper/special/2002/europe/index.htm) JDB

As the Laeken Declaration put it, "… forces that will otherwise overwhelm us.

## 1NC – Shome K

### Democracy assistance is a discursive frame used to justify neoliberal imperialist intervention – turns the aff by preventing democratization and breeding resistance

Sussman 2006

Gerald, teaches Urban Studies and Communications at Portland State University, “The Myths of Democracy Assistance: U.S. Political Intervention in Post-Soviet Eastern Europe,” Monthly Review, 58:7, December, <http://monthlyreview.org/2006/12/01/the-myths-of-democracy-assistance-u-s-political-intervention-in-post-soviet-eastern-europe>) PM

U.S. interventionism, except perhaps in … other expressions of neocolonial hegemony.

### This political rationality creates cultural and racialized others, making annihilation inevitable

Pinar Batur 7, PhD @ UT-Austin – Prof. … Relations, eds. Vera and Feagin

War and genocide are horrid, … to its existence (Hunter 1991; Buchanan 2002).

### Vote negative to reject the affirmative’s call for increasing U.S. democracy assistance. We must critique the affirmative’s knowledge production which allows for the annihlation

Shome, Professor of Communication, 1996 (Raka, “… "Other" View,” Communication Theory, February, p. 50-52) PM

Second, the postcolonial critique of … in as well as contribute to.

## Advantage 1

### No AQ in Yemen threat – no support, tactile failure, local concerns

Koehler-Derrick, Instructor at West Point and Associate at the Combating Terrorism Center, 10-3-11

(Gabriel, "A False Foundation? AQAP, Tribes and Ungoverned Spaces in Yemen," [www.ctc.usma.edu/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/CTC\_False\_Foundation2.pdf](http://www.ctc.usma.edu/wp-content/uploads/2011/10/CTC_False_Foundation2.pdf), accessed 1-7-12) JDB

Yet there is reason for … far more pressing local concerns

### AQ in Yemen is not a threat – hype by Saleh, divided, tribe resistance

Spencer 2011

(James, retired British infantry commander and strategic analyst on political, security, and trade issues in the Middle East and North Africa and specificalist on Yemen, “A False Dawn for Yemen’s Militants,” Foreign Affairs, 6/8/11, <http://www.foreignaffairs.com/print/67814?page=show>) JDB

Throughout Yemen's political crisis, the … group's capability will be lost.

### No solvency – drone strikes and revolutionary resistance

Gundun, US Spokesman for Yemen’s Coordinating Council for the Youth Revolution of Change, 2011

(James, “Commentary: Out of the fry pan,” Al Ahram Weekly, 21 - 27 July 2011 Issue No. 1057, <http://weekly.ahram.org.eg/2011/1057/re9.htm>) JDB

The White House and State … from tyranny and foreign interference.

### Police are extremely corrupt preventing solvency, empirically proven UK, Egypt and Jordan Assistance proves

Jane’s IHS 2011 “Security and foreign … -and-foreign-forces-Yemen.html

The national police force is … counter the rising terrorism threat

### 1AC Economy impact is empirically denied – 2008 financial crisis should’ve triggered the threshold – there’s no differential

### Economic growth causes war - economic decline solves

Deudney, Hewlett Fellow at Princeton, 1991

(Daniel, Hewlett Fellow in Science, Technology, and Society at the Center for Energy and Environmental Studies, “Environment and Security: Muddled Thinking,” Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists 47:3, Proquest, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

In a second scenario, declining living … industrial products.and surplus wealth.

### Economic decline is key to solving warming and prevent extinction – best scientific models go our way

Li, Assistant Professor of Economics at Utah, 2011

(Minqi, “The 21st Century Crisis: Climate Catastrophe or Socialism,” Review of Radical Political Economics 43:3, 8-23-11, p.289-301, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

The global average surface temperature … and society-wide planning (section 6).

### Economic collapse solves growth rates – forces a peaceful shift away from globalization and industrialization

Lewis 2000

(Chris, PhD American Studies Univ of Colorado Boulder. “The Paradox of Global Development and the Necessary Collapse of Global Industrial Civilization,” June 2000, [www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf](http://www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf))

With the collapse of … themselves face collapse and ruin.

### Collapse and suffering are inevitable, but immediate collapse is key to prevent extinction

Barry, PhD in Land Resources from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2008

(Glen, also with a Masters of Science in "Conservation Biology and Sustainable Development" also from Madison, and a Bachelor of Arts in "Political Science" from Marquette University, “Economic Collapse and Global Ecology,” <http://www.countercurrents.org/barry140108.htm>, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

Humanity and the Earth are … be a final, fatal death swoon.

## Advantage 2

### Saudi Arabia wants geopolitical dominance in Yemen – plan undermines that

Gause, Professor of Political Science at Vermont, December 2011

(Gregory Gause III, "Saudi Arabia in the New Middle East" [www.cfr.org/saudi-arabia/saudi-arabia-new-middle-east/p26663](http://www.cfr.org/saudi-arabia/saudi-arabia-new-middle-east/p26663), accessed 1-11-12) JDB

Saudi policy toward Yemen is … are with their monarchical neighbors.

### Saudi Arabia will hate the plan and intervene – tanks relations and solvency

Nasr, Professor of International Politics at Tufts, 2011

(Vali, “Will the Saudis … )

The kingdom has emerged as … , which qualify on neither count.

### Stability isn’t a link turn – Saudi Arabia wants to orchestrate events and see the US as interference

Democracy Digest 2011

(“Saudi Arabia: countervailing power or ‘midwives of change’ in Yemen?”, 06/06/11, http://www.demdigest.net/blog/2011/06/saudi-arabia-countervailing-power-or-midwives-of-change-in-yemen/”)

With Yemen finely poised between … at the University of Sydney.

### Iran won’t proliferate - capability

Fitzpatrick 2011

(Mark Director, Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Programme  
 The International Institute for Strategic Studies, London  Thursday 3 February 2011http://www.iiss.org/publications/strategic-dossiers/irans-nuclear-chemical-and-biological-capabilities/press-statement/)

The most pressing proliferation … to rapidly expand uranium production.

### Middle East prolif inevitable – Israel

The Guardian 2010

(Editorial, “Israel's nuclear weapons: Time to come clean

Israel must abandon its obfuscations on nuclear weapons to move towards a true nuclear settlement in the Middle East 5/25/10 <http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2010/may/25/israel-nuclear-weapons-editorial>)

Both America and Israel believe … well as an individual matter.

## 2NC Cards

### Their violent representations are a reason to vote neg - we can’t evaluate the implementation of the aff because their truth claims are rooted in neoliberal and racist logic. All benefits of democratization are tautological and presume the superiority of the West - means you can’t LOGICALLY weigh the aff regardless of “fairness”

Teti, Lecturer in IR at the University of Aberdeen, 2007

(Andrea, “Confessions of a Dangerous Paradigm: Democratisation, Transitology and Orientalism,” <http://www.abdn.ac.uk/pir/notes07/Level5/PI5000/Teti%202007%20Confessions%20of%20a%20Dangerous%20Paradigm.pdf>) JDB

In this epistemic framework, truth about the

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Ikhwan, Hamas, Hizballah, etc.).31

### Rejecting the affirmative is a pre-condition to better policymaking and political rationalities – the round is a window of opportunity for us to respond to our historical position

Schmidt, Professor of International Relations at Boston, 2011

(Viven A., “Speaking of change; why discourse is key to the dynamics of policy transformation,” Critical Policy Studies 5:1, p106-126) JDB

In the extensive literature on policy change,

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time takes us into another set of debates.

4. The perm gets hijacked by military interests – leads to future intervention

**Cooper, Lecturer in IR and Security at Bradford, 2005**

(Neil, “Picking out the Pieces of the Liberal Peaces: Representations of Conflict Economies and the Implications for Policy,” Security Dialogue 36:4 p472-474)

Nevertheless, it is also the case that

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dealing with the underlying dynamics driving such networks.

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can be a final, fatal death swoon.

### And it’s linear—the longer we wait, the worse it will be

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(Glen, also with a Masters of Science in "Conservation Biology and Sustainable Development" also from Madison, and a Bachelor of Arts in "Political Science" from Marquette University, “Resisting Global Ecological Change,” 1-5-10, <http://www.countercurrents.org/barry140108.htm>, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

The human family faces imminent and (

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and ecologically whole Earth remains to be renewed.

### UQ goes negative – The status quo is unsustainable exponential growth

Martenson, PhD in Economics, 2009

(Dr. Chris, also a Post Carbon Institute Fellow for Economy and Preparedness, “Copenhagen & Economic Growth - You Can't Have Bothm” published 12-24-09, archieved 1-19-10, <http://www.energybulletin.net/node/51229>, accessed 12-24-11) JDB

It's The Money, Stupid As noted here

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the enormous flaws in the system be seen.

### More evidence – lack of resources prevents transition wars and resolves rivalries

Bennet and Nordstrom, Professors of Political Science at Penn State, 2000

(D. Scott and Timothy, “Foreign Policy Substitutability and the Internal Economic Problems in Enduring Rivalries,” Journal of Conflict Resolution 44:33, February 2000, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

**In this analysis, we focus on using**

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**design that can account for substitutability between them.**

### And - policymakers will learn from past mistakes and shift to local solutions

Lewis 2000

(Chris, PhD American Studies Univ of Colorado Boulder. “The Paradox of Global Development and the Necessary Collapse of Global Industrial Civilization,” June 2000, [www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf](http://www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf))

The only alternative we now have is to

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complex, interconnected web of life on earth.

### Extend 1NC #1 – 2008 financial crisis disproves their economic decline scenario – here’s evidence

Barnett 2009

(Thomas P.M., Senior Managing Director of Enterra Solutions LLC, “The New Rules: Security Remains Stable Amid Financial Crisis,” World Politics Review, 8/25/09, <http://www.aprodex.com/the-new-rules--security-remains-stable-amid-financial-crisis-398-bl.aspx>)

When the global financial crisis struck roughly a

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likely to breed connecting evangelicalism as disconnecting fundamentalism.

### And its empirically denied – 93 cases disprove

Miller, Economist and Adjunct Professor at Ottawa, 2K

(Morris Miller, economist, adjunct professor in the University of Ottawa’s Faculty of Administration, consultant on international development issues, former Executive Director and Senior Economist at the World Bank, Winter 2000, Interdisciplinary Science Reviews, Vol. 25, Iss. 4, “Poverty as a cause of wars?”)

The question may be reformulated. Do wars

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using one form of violence to abort another).

### B. The analogy is backwards – Germany recovered first *then* got aggressive

Ferguson, Professor of History at Harvard, 2006

(Niall, Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, *Foreign Affairs*, “The Next War of the World”, <http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/61916/niall-ferguson/the-next-war-of-the-world>, accessed 6/27/11) JDB

Nor can economic crises explain the bloodshed.

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severe economic crises were not followed by wars.

### No Iran adventurism – threat of US retaliation and no popularity in the region

Walt, Professor of IR at Harvard, 2010

(Stephen M., Foreign Policy, “How not to contain Iran,” 3/5/10, <http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2010/03/05/how_not_to_contain_iran>) JDB

Third, they overstate Iran's capacity to subvert

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, however; it's just another [convenient bogeyman](http://www.thenational.ae/article/20081121/REVIEW/846523295/1008).

### No Iran aggression or adventurism – multiple factors constrain – they conflate motivation and capability – best policy is the status quo

Wehrey et. al. 2009

(Frederic, Senior Analyst at RAND, and David E. Thaler • Nora Bensahel • Kim Cragin Jerrold D. Green • Dalia Dassa Kaye • Nadia Oweidat • Jennifer Li, “Dangerous but Not Omnipotent,” <http://www.rand.org/pubs/monographs/2009/RAND_MG781.sum.pdf,> accessed 1-11-12) JDB

**To accurately gauge the strategic challenges from Iran**

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, and ability to influence Arab public opinion.

## 1NR Cards

### Perm fails – US image tanks assistances – CP alone solves best

Burnell, Professor of Politics and International Relations at the University of Warwick, 2007

(Peter, “Relations between state, civil society and private sector,” from Democracy: Europe’s Core Value?, 2007, p20-21, accessed via Google Books)

A third possible approach to the issue of

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civil society feel more comfortable engaging with Europe.

### US-EU cooperation fails – no joint approach

Shapiro and Witney 2009

(Jeremy Shapiro, former advisor to the assistant secretary of state for Europe and Eurasia at the U.S. Department of State, and Nick Witney, Senior Policy Fellow at the European Council on Foreign Relations after serving as the first Chief Executive of the European Defence Agency, “Towards a Post-American Europe: a power audit of US-EU relations” European Council on Foreign Relations, October 2009, <http://ecfr.3cdn.net/05b80f1a80154dfc64_x1m6bgxc2.pdf>) JDB

So Europe’s failure to shape up as an

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into such closely adjacent territory as climate change.

### EU solves best in Yemen – US overstretched and overly focused on counter-terrorism

Mark N. Katz 2011 (Professor of Government and Politics at George Mason University) March 2011 “Yemen after Saleh” http://www.iss.europa.eu/uploads/media/Yemen\_after\_Saleh.pdf

While this process of shaping the nature of

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of the people of that country as well as the West as a whole.

**Second, Boehner knows the bill risks a trade war with China so he wont change his opinion on it. Political pressure is the only link.**Reuters October 13th 2011 “Analysis: Boehner stands firm against yuan bill” <http://www.reuters.com/article/2011/10/13/us-china-usa-yuan-idUSTRE79B07M20111013>

House Speaker John Boehner has made it clear

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policy which already amounts to a trade war.

**Third, Boehner’s leadership is sufficient at the moment.**

WSJ OCTOBER 6, 2011 “On Currency Bill, Rank-And-File Republicans Buck GOP Leaders” <http://online.wsj.com/article/BT-CO-20111006-713089.html>

Rank-and-file House Republicans are

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be signing the discharge petition, his spokesman said

**Specifically, the Tea Party hates aid in Asia**

Harvey M. Sapolsky 2010 (Professor of Public Policy and Organization, Emeritus at MIT and was until recently the Director of the MIT Security Studies Program) “ The Tea Party’s Foreign Policy” <http://www.e-ir.info/?author=647>

Foreign aid and outreach to America’s foreign critics

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hearts and minds in places far from home.

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**Even absent a trade war or escalation, the Currency bill independently tanks relations.**

China Daily, October 20 “Currency bill threat issued again” <http://www.china.org.cn/business/2011-10/20/content_23678250.htm>

The US Senate's move to force its trading

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ministry, at a press conference in Beijing.

"If the United States insists on doing things in its own way, it will harm China-US relations and the long-term benefit of people from the two countries. China will have to take further actions," he said.

**A. China will work against the US in the Middle East triggering arms sales and massive instability**Alterman 10 (Jon B., Director, Middle East Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies,  “The Vital Triangle”, 7/12, <http://csis.org/files/publication/100715_JonPresentationWWC.pdf>) PE

China’s rising engagement in the Middle East has

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and did significant damage to the ship.

**B. Relations key to solving Islamic fundamentalism and global terrorismXianquan** Xu**, Senior Research Fellow, Chinese Academy, International Trade and Economic Coop, 20**01

(China, the United States, and the Global Economy, Shuxun Chen & Charles Wolf, p. 258)

The United States and China also share an

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Islamic fundamentalism, given China's recent terrorist experiences.

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Democracy Digest 2011

(“Saudi Arabia: countervailing power or ‘midwives of change’ in Yemen?”, 06/06/11, http://www.demdigest.net/blog/2011/06/saudi-arabia-countervailing-power-or-midwives-of-change-in-yemen/”)

With Yemen finely poised between transition and regression

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a Yemen expert at the University of Sydney.

### Stability doesn’t improve relations – Saudi Arabia will hate the ending of patronage and tribal hierarchy

Jones, Assistant Professor of History at Rutgers, 8-24-11

(Toby, The Nation, “Saudi Arabia’s regional reaction”, http://www.thenation.com/article/162962/saudi-arabias-regional-reaction)

While much of their energy has been directed

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will continue to try to buy influence there.

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## Off 1

### Text: The European Union should [plan text].

### CP solves and is key to EU credibility

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Europe's response to the Arab Spring has been

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Europe's leaders fail to rise to the events.

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(John, also former ambassador of the EU to the US, “The Future of the European Union,” The Irish Times, 01/31/02, 195.7.33.33/newspaper/special/2002/europe/index.htm) JDB

As the Laeken Declaration put it, "

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## Off 2

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The Hill 12/27/11 “Treasury: China not a currency manipulator” http://thehill.com/blogs/on-the-money/1005-trade/201459-treasury-chinas-not-a-currency-manipulator

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let its currency appreciate at a faster rate.

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**Hulse 11**

Carl Hulse, NY Times, 2/9/11, House Republicans Battle Turmoil in Their Ranks, [www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html)

Under pressure to make deeper spending cuts and

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for what was described as a productive lunch.

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**Martin 10-7-11**

(Patrick, WSWS, “Anti-China rhetoric raises threat of war,” [www.wsws.org/articles/2011/oct2011/pers-o07.shtml](http://www.wsws.org/articles/2011/oct2011/pers-o07.shtml))

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to war because of their close economic ties.

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(**STRAIT TIMES**, June 25, **2K**

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, **we would see the destruction of civilization.**

## Off 3

### US hegemony attempts to universalize common values and security interests, delegitimizing all who oppose such an organization of power and covering up its imperialist and exceptional nature

**Rasch, Associate Professor of Germanic Studies at Indiana, 2003**

(William, “Human Rights as Geopolitics,” Cultural Critique 54, Spring 2003, p121-123, accessed 12-30-11) JDB

The only power to emerge from the twentieth

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proved to be mere shadowboxing in the end.

### The alternative is to affirm proper political enmity through multipolarity – absent a shift away from universalizing liberalism in the form of hegemony, violence and terrorism will continue to proliferate

Mouffe, Professor of Politics and IR at Westminster, 2005

(Chantal, “Schmitt’s Vision of a Multipolar World Order,” Spring 2005, South Atlantic Quarterly 104:2, accessed 12-29-11) JDB

How could one envisage an alternative to such

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, the universalist discourse is in fact contributing.

## Fifth Fleet

### No solvency – no middle ground means Sunni-Shia tensions overwhelm the plan

Gardner, BBC security correspondent, 11-22-11

(Frank, “Will Bahrain's crackdown report heal divided nation?” BBC News Middle East, http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-15834361, accessed 12-6-11) JDB

The kingdom, which previously prided itself on

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the interrogation cells of Bahrain's numerous police stations.

### The King rejects the plan – seen as a red line

Ghezali 9-13-11

(Rabah Ghezali, member of the Transatlantic Network 2020, and special to CNN, 9-13-2011, “Bahrain at the heart of Middle East tensions,” CNN, <http://globalpublicsquare.blogs.cnn.com/2011/09/13/bahrain-at-the-heart-of-middle-east-tensions/>)

Inside the regime, the **gap has widened**

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**removal of the Prime Minister are red lines.**

### King blocks reform – no compromise

**Genger 12-12-11**

(Justin, Doctoral Candidate at UMich studying Sunni-Shi'i conflict and political mobilization in the rentier societies of the Arab Gulf, in particular in Bahrain, “What if Bahrain Has a Sunni Awakening?” <http://bahrainipolitics.blogspot.com/2011/12/what-if-bahrain-has-sunni-awakening.html>, accessed 1-8-12)

The basic idea of the piece may be

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**protests in return for any government political concessions.**

### No Iranian aggression in Bahrain – empirically denied, not even token gestures

A. Savyon, director of the Iranian Media Project at the Middle East Media Research Institute, 7-4-11

(“Iran's Defeat in the Bahrain Crisis: A Seminal Event in the Sunni-Shi'ite Conflict”. <http://www.memri.org/report/en/0/0/0/0/0/0/5424.htm#_ednref6>) JK/JDB

Despite Bahrain's historic, ethnic, and religious

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noted that none of these calls were implemented.

### Turn – Fifth Fleet isn’t key to Gulf security and there are no Iran or Al-Qaeda threats – kickout allows for critical funding reallocation to counter-terrorism and anti-drug trafficking

Gresh, research fellow and doctoral candidate at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, 2010

(Geoffrey F, “Traversing the Persian Gauntlet: U.S. Naval Projection and the Strait of Hormuz”. The Fletcher Forum of World Affairs. Medford: Winter 2010. Vol. 34, Iss. 1; pg. 41. ProQuest) JK/JDB

However, the United States is able to

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confront more pressing situations at home and abroad.

### Turn – Fifth Fleet isn’t key and causes reckless regional actors – that turns the case – removal solves and other naval facilities prevent escalation

Jones, Assistant Professor of History at Rutgers, 6-10-11

(Toby, “Time to Disband the Bahrain-Based U.S. Fifth Fleet” <http://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2011/06/time-to-disband-the-bahrain-based-us-fifth-fleet/240243/2/?single_page=true>) JK/JDB

There are a number of reasons why the

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but has enabled their dangerous behavior as well.

### Military primacy is irrelevant to hegemony – becomes a ‘power problem’

**Carranza, Associate Professor of Political Science at Texas A&M, 2010**

(Mario E., “Reality Check: America’s Continuing Pursuit of Regional Hegemony,” Contemporary Security Policy 31:3, 406-440, 12/14/10, accessed 6/15/11) JDB

Other scholars argue that the real source of

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becomes the paradigm of US security thinking.51

### Impacts to hegemonic decline are myths – decline is good and causes retrenchment - solves great power wars, long term influence, and interventionism

**MacDonald and Parent 11**

(Paul K. MacDonald is Assistant Professor of Political Science at Williams College. Joseph M. Parent is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Miami, Graceful Decline? The Surprising Success of Great Power Retrenchment,” International Security 35:4, Spring 2011, accessed 1-9-12) JDB

Other observers advocate retrenchment policies, but they

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that failed to retrench recovered their relative position.

### Turn - China’s rise will be peaceful – only continuing hegemony risks transition wars

**Layne, Professor of Government at Texas A&M University, 2009**

(Christopher, also Robert M. Gates Chair in Intelligence and national Security at the George H.W. Bush School of Government and Public Service and Research Fellow with the Center on Peace and Liberty at The Independent Institute, "The Waning of U.S. Hegemony—Myth or Reality? A Review Essay", International Security 34:1, Summer 2009, p. 17-18, accessed 6/19/11) JDB

As Mahbubani sees it, the West should

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as Mahbubani urges, is an open question.

### No impact – their hegemony scenarios presume an old strategic model

Koplovsky, 2006.

(Michael. Deputy Chief of Mission @ U.S. Embassy Lusaka, Career Foreign Service Office. 10-23-2006. “Precipitating the Inevitable: the Surprisingly Benign Impact of Losing Basing Rights in Bahrain.” <http://govwin.com/knowledge/precipitating-inevitable-surprisingly-benign-impact/18387>) JK/JDB

Large, permanent, forward U.S

AND

U.S. deterrent and operational presence.

### No impact to naval power (or hegemony)

**Rhodes, PhD dean for the Social and Behavioral Sciences at Rutgers University, 2005**

(Edward, and a former International Affairs Fellow of the Council on Foreign Relations, he has served in the Strategy and Concepts Branch of the Navy Staff, ““. . . From the Sea” and Back Again: Naval Power in the Second American Century,” Naval War College Review 52:2, Spring, http://www.usnwc.edu/Publications/Naval-War-College-Press/Newport-Papers/Documents/24-pdf.aspx, p. 172-6, accessed 1-11-12) JDB

The lack of evidence in support of a

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interests of either the nation or the Navy.

## Advantage 2 – Iran

### No Iran adventurism – threat of US retaliation and no popularity in the region

Walt, Professor of IR at Harvard, 2010

(Stephen M., Foreign Policy, “How not to contain Iran,” 3/5/10, <http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2010/03/05/how_not_to_contain_iran>) JDB

Third, they overstate Iran's capacity to subvert

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, however; it's just another [convenient bogeyman](http://www.thenational.ae/article/20081121/REVIEW/846523295/1008).

### No Iran aggression or adventurism – multiple factors constrain – status quo is a comparatively better policy option

Wehrey et. al. 2009

(Frederic, Senior Analyst at RAND, and David E. Thaler • Nora Bensahel • Kim Cragin Jerrold D. Green • Dalia Dassa Kaye • Nadia Oweidat • Jennifer Li, “Dangerous but Not Omnipotent,” <http://www.rand.org/pubs/monographs/2009/RAND_MG781.sum.pdf,> accessed 1-11-12) JDB

**To accurately gauge the strategic challenges from Iran**

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, and ability to influence Arab public opinion.

### No Strait of Hormuz impact – it’s just rhetoric and alt causes now should’ve triggered

**UPI 1-5-12**

(United press International, “EU ban on Iranian oil hikes Strait of Hormuz tensions,” <http://www.upi.com/Business_News/Energy-Resources/2012/01/05/EU-ban-on-Iranian-oil-hikes-Strait-of-Hormuz-tensions/UPI-79861325784664/>, accessed 1-8-12) JDB

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates, Jan.

**AND**

**resume international talks on its contentious nuclear program.**

### Bahrain is a death knell for US-Saudi relations

ICG 11

(The International Crisis Group is an independent, non-profit, non-governmental organisation committed to preventing and resolving global conflicts "POPULAR PROTEST IN NORTH AFRICA AND THE MIDDLE EAST (VIII):BAHRAIN’S ROCKY ROAD TO REFORM" July 28 <http://www.crisisgroup.org/~/media/Files/Middle%20East%20North%20Africa/Iran%20Gulf/Bahrain/111-%20Popular%20Protest%20in%20North%20Africa%20and%20the%20Middle%20East%20VII%20-%20%20Bahrains%20Rocky%20Road%20to%20Reform.pdf>, accessed 1-11-12) JDB

Following on the heels of the Tunisian and

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Libya and Syria, but not in Bahrain.

### Deteriorating relations causes Saudi prolif – security concerns – turns the case

Lippman, senior adjunct scholar at the Council on Foreign Relations, 8-8-11

(Thomas W., Saudi-US Relations Information Service, [http://www.susris.com/2011/08/05/saudi-arabia’s-nuclear-policy-lippman/](http://www.susris.com/2011/08/05/saudi-arabia's-nuclear-policy-lippman/))

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Al-Jamal & Farid 4-20-11

(Moussa Mahmoud and Sonia, “Is Iran ‘sectarianizing’ Bahrain conflict?” Al Arabiya News, <http://english.alarabiya.net/articles/2011/04/20/146144.html>) EK/JB

Both Mr. Salman and Mr. Mousavi

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together against the Western agenda,” he said.

### No Iran-Saudi war – US deterrence solves and Iran won’t use nukes

Spindle, et al 2011

(April, Bill, Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services for the University of Alaska Anchorage and Journalist, “The New Cold War,” Wall Street Journal, 4-16-11, http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704116404576262744106483816.html] EK/JB

The Saudis currently rely on the U.

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it has renounced the use of nuclear weapons.

## 2NC Cards

### No impact and turn – Fifth Fleet unnecessary to protect the Straits of Hormuz or deter Iran – naval presence just makes us vulnerable and increases tension with Iran

Gresh, research fellow and doctoral candidate at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, 2010

(Geoffrey F, “Traversing the Persian Gauntlet: U.S. Naval Projection and the Strait of Hormuz”. The Fletcher Forum of World Affairs. Medford: Winter 2010. Vol. 34, Iss. 1; pg. 41. ProQuest) JK/JDB

The United States has long employed a strategy

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on the carrier group or instill fear. [n5](http://www.lexisnexis.com/lnacui2api/frame.do?reloadEntirePage=true&rand=1317943610335&returnToKey=20_T12911732588&parent=docview&target=results_DocumentContent&tokenKey=rsh-20.145390.07714163465" \l "n5)

### No Israeli strikes – success now and preference of covert action

Gordon et al. 2011

(David Gordon is head of research at Eurasia Group and Cliff Kupchan is director of the firm's Eurasia practice, Foreign Policy, “Odds are Israel won't attack Iran,” 2-17-11 [http://eurasia.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/02/17/odds\_are\_israel\_wont\_attack\_iran) JDB](http://eurasia.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/02/17/odds_are_israel_wont_attack_iran)%20JDB)

"You don't want a messianic apocalyptic cult

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threats of Gaza, Lebanon, and [Egypt](http://www.haaretz.com/news/diplomacy-defense/without-egypt-israel-will-be-left-with-no-friends-in-mideast-1.339926).

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# Rd 5 - Neg vs CUNY

## Framework

### 1. Topicality before advocacy – the resolution is the only stable locus for predictable ground. Allowing the aff to pick ground and frameworks outside of this makes it impossible for the negative to predict and prepare – this is a voting issue for competitive equity and is a prior question to the affirmative

Shively, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Texas A&M, 2000

(Ruth Lessl, Partisan Politics and Political Theory, p. 181-2)

The requirements given thus far are primarily negative

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contestation rests on some basic agreement or harmony.

### D. Our framework is substantively preferable

### 1. Roleplaying as policymakers generates productive education that overcomes our political exclusion – the affirmative re-entrenches passivity

Kulynych, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Winthrop, 1997

(Jessica, Winthrop University, Polity 32:2, Winter, p. 344-5)

Unfortunately, it is precisely these elements of

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, thereby refusing their construction as passive clients.

### 2. Disengagement from the political provides room for elitist takeover without actually shifting power structures – that causes war, slavery, and authoritarian

Boggs, Professor of Political Science at Southern California, 2000

(CAROL, 2000, THE END OF POLITICS, 250-1)

But it is a very deceptive and misleading

AND

antirationalism of Oakeshott’s Burkean muddling-through theories.

### 3. Switch-side debate is good – it provides the best education by forcing debaters to research both sides of issues instead of becoming dogmatic – being forced to examine opposing views is key to challenge us/them dichotomies

English et al, 2007  
(Eric, Stephen Llano, Gordon R. Mitchell, Catherine E. Morrison, John Rief & Carly Woods. Univ. of Pittsburgh Communication Dept. “Debate as a Weapon of Mass Destruction.” Routledge. Communication and Critical/Cultural Studies Vol. 4, No. 2, June 2007, pp. 221-225 <http://www.pitt.edu/~gordonm/JPubs/EnglishDAWG.pdf>, evidence under erasure)

This episode is a representative anecdote for the

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of such polar categories find debate so threatening.

**4. Game over – your authors advocate a topical version of your aff – an actually topical aff - it’s always better to be controlled by existing and stale political engagement because it could be seductive and escapes our mastery—trying to escape alienation through the 1AC only risks interjecting more forms of control.   
Baudrillard 93** (Jean, Professor of Phil of Culture and Media Criticism at the European Graduate School, Transparency of Evil, p. 166-7//shree)

At all events, **it is better**

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Other, that which we have to seduce.

**Exercising the will politically is not necessarily moralizing messianism—we recognize that the body is thrown into a network of social practices and meanings, its orientation towards them is constantly in flux. We endorse an experimental ethics of world-changing—the alternative of uncritical assent negates the Other without justification**May 5 (Todd, prof @ Clemson. “To change the world, to celebrate life,” Philosophy & Social Criticism, 31:5-6 p 517–531//shree)

To change the world and to celebrate life

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willing to take your world up for you.

## Difference K

### The affirmative’s approach of “liberating” us from things like language and literal meanings robs criticism of any material praxis or historical meaning. Their approach violently uses deconstruction to level all difference.

Spanos 1993

(William V., Heidegger and Criticism, p. 121-123) PM

Derrida's differance "without positive terms" reveals

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) pyrotechnical interpretive practice is willing to dance.

### The alternative is Heideggarian destruction. The alternative better approaches the present by avoiding textualizing or depoliticizing difference. Instead, it retrieves the question of temporality by approaching difference as one site along the continuum of being, like agreeing with the criticism of the 1AC but attend to the specific material and sociopolitical limits of today.

**Spanos 1993**

(William V., *Heidegger and Criticism*, p. 82-84) PM

In what follows, I intend to explore

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an indissoluble relay encom­passing the totality of being.

## Self-Referential 1NC

Every claim on this flow is false.

## The Onion 1NC

Nobody gets how cool and ironic they are

The Onion 5 (“Why Can’t Anyone Tell I’m Wearing this Business Suit Ironically”, <http://www.theonion.com/articles/why-cant-anyone-tell-im-wearing-this-business-suit,11185/> //shree, shoutout to Trinity GM)

Is it my fault none of you stupid

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! I couldn't go straight if I tried!

**The impact is that listening to their bullshit will waste your life—instead you should go read a book or bungee jump because doing anything is better than listening to them.**

The Onion 11 ("Open-Minded Man Grimly Realizes How Much Life He's Wasted Listening To Bullshit" <http://www.theonion.com/articles/openminded-man-grimly-realizes-how-much-life-hes-w,19273/?utm_source=recentnews> //shree, shoutout to Trinity GM)

CLEVELAND— During an unexpected moment of clarity

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. That's a trip to Europe right there."

## Case

(1) Your 1AC is non-inherent and you vote negative on presumption—if they’re right that the language of the resolution is always already enigmatic and auto-deconstructive of human intent, the 1AC is unnecessary—and showing us how the resolution is absurd is a double turn

Baudrillard 96 (Jean, Tupac of Academia, The Perfect Crime, p. 73-74//shree)

Irony is the only spiritual form in the

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, superconductive of illusion and non-meaning.

**(3)** **Resolving the perverse possibilities of the human spirit and rendering violent excess as something we should aspire to is the flip side of the same coin of morality and fixity which turns the case, as it creates violent excess as the new ideal of the Good—simply yielding to the status quo’s seductions and not elevating sacrifice solves better.**

**Baudrillard ‘5** (Jean, Tupac of Academia, Intelligence of Evil, p 159-64//shree)

Then, this is the way we must

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**And the Apocalypse itself is a facile solution**.

We’ll win that they justify a crappy mode of existence, which means you vote negative under their framework

(A) We’ll win uniqueness—there is a certain kernel of reality within representations that remains immune to deconstruction. The risk that the 1AC runs is creating a desert where life-affirming attachment to objects in the world becomes impossible.

Latour 4 (Bruno is a [French](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/France) [sociologist of science](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sociology_of_science), [anthropologist](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anthropology) and an influential theorist in the field of [Science and Technology Studies](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Science_and_Technology_Studies) “Why has Critique Run out of Steam? From Matters of Fact to Matters of Concern”. Critical Inquiry-Winter, University of Chicago Press//JD)

The mistake would be to believe that we

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by any combination of those two absurd positions?

(B) The emphasis on the end of meaningful material and social relations is a form of apocalypticism driven by an intense hatred of life that makes us want to take revenge upon it

Berger 96 (James, senior lecturer in English at Yale University. “Ends and Means: Theorizing Apocalypse in the 1990’s.” *Postmodern Culture*, V. 6, I. 3//jake)

The apocalypse would be the definitive catastrophe.

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such bizarre, but frighteningly common, imaginings?

## 2NC Cards

**We control the internal link to fascism—affirmation of unconditional expenditure**

**of violent excess results in fascism—the concentration camp is the modern figure of a totally useless loss**

**Bell 8** (Jeremy, M.A. Thesis in the Theory, Culture and Politics Program at Trent University, “Bataille, the Economic, and the Sacred: Working through the accursed share,” January, proquest, 91-96//shree)

At the same time however, we need

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could lapse into the bloodshed of primitive war.

The void left by the self-referential flow solves 100% of the case with a risk of a link. They talk the talk but they don’t walk the walk—simply speaking about mystery doesn’t subvert metaphysics or result in the liberation of creative potentials. To claim to know that everything is uncertain is the worst form of certainty, as everything mysterious is taken alive and pinned, quivering to a canvas like insects in a collection. The self-generating void is a bomb that shatters their dying project—the void is CUNY, CUNY is not CUNY

Zupancic 3 (Alenka, The Shortest Shadow: Nietzsche’s Philosophy of the Two, p 1//shree)

A very similar conviction, concerning the necessity

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of a grand narrative, of an event.

The 1NC Onion Performance solves 100% of the case because we don’t engage in homogenized political conduct—we allow for an affirmation of laughter and excess. But, we compete with the 1AC—their form of “laughter” is the golden Nietzschean and Bataillean laughter of tragic affirmation that laughs in the face of a firing squad and destroys value to life by relegating us to empty, solitary finitude. Our Sardonic humor is a more joyful mode of existence under their framework because it acknowledges finitude without affirming it.

Critchley 99 (Simon, Philosophy at the New School, “Comedy And Finitude: Displacing The Tragic-Heroic Paradigm In Philosophy And Psychoanalysis,” Constellations, Vol. 6, Issue 1//shree)

So, my question is the following:

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enough and that only comedy is truly tragic.

# R8 - Neg vs GMU FM

## Off

### Text: The European Union should substantially increases its democracy assistance for Bahrain by providing material support to civil society organizations in Bahrain.

### CP solves and is key to EU credibility

Ash et al, Professor of European Studies at Oxford, 2011

(Timothy Garton; Emma Bonino, Italian Senate vice president; Mark Leonard, European Council on Foreign Relations director; Ana Palacio, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Spain; Daniel Sachs, CEO of Proventus AB; and all of the above serve on the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on Europe and Central Asia, "Europe Must Rise to the Challenges Presented by the Arab Spring," Huffington Post, 06/3/11, [www.huffingtonpost.com/emma-bonino/post\_2032\_b\_870924.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/emma-bonino/post_2032_b_870924.html)) JDB

Europe's response to the Arab Spring has been

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Europe's leaders fail to rise to the events.

### That’s key to prevent extinction

Bruton, former prime minister of Ireland, 2002

(John, also former ambassador of the EU to the US, “The Future of the European Union,” The Irish Times, 01/31/02, 195.7.33.33/newspaper/special/2002/europe/index.htm) JDB

As the Laeken Declaration put it, "

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blind global forces that will otherwise overwhelm us.

## Off

### China Currency Manipulation bill won’t pass now – Republican leaders holding the line but pressure building

The Hill 12/27/11 “Treasury: China not a currency manipulator” http://thehill.com/blogs/on-the-money/1005-trade/201459-treasury-chinas-not-a-currency-manipulator

Even though the House passed legislation on the

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let its currency appreciate at a faster rate.

### Foreign aid spending kills Republican leadership – Boehner won’t be able to corral votes

**Hulse 11**

Carl Hulse, NY Times, 2/9/11, House Republicans Battle Turmoil in Their Ranks, [www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html)

Under pressure to make deeper spending cuts and

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for what was described as a productive lunch.

### Causes economic collapse and a US-China war – defense doesn’t apply

**Martin 10-7-11**

(Patrick, WSWS, “Anti-China rhetoric raises threat of war,” [www.wsws.org/articles/2011/oct2011/pers-o07.shtml](http://www.wsws.org/articles/2011/oct2011/pers-o07.shtml))

The White House, together with much of

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to war because of their close economic ties.

### Nuclear extinction

(**STRAIT TIMES**, June 25, **2K**

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, **we would see the destruction of civilization.**

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### Democracy assistance is epistemic hegemony based on the presupposed universal value of democracy – this denies the possibility of just enemies and leads to exceptionalist violence

Bishai and Behnke 07

(Linda S., Senior Program Officier in the Education Program at the US Institute of Peace, and Andreas, Lecturer in the Department of Politics at IR at the University of Reading, “War, violence, and the political” in “The international political thought of Carl Schmitt: Terror, Liberal War, and the Crisis of Global Order,” pg.115-18 accessed via Google Books on 12-22-11) JDB

Koskenniemi’s observation about the domestic effects of

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the electorate purportedly votes for the incumbent’s list.

### Human rights justify wars of extermination – once the enemy is labeled as opposed to abstract concepts, they cease to be legitimate or human and are targeted for annihilation

Odysseos, Professor of Politics at the University of London, 2004

(Louiza, “Crossing the Line? Carl Schmitt on the ‘spaceless universalism’ of cosmopolitanism and the War on Terror,” in The International Political Thought of Carl Schmitt: Terror, liberal war and the crisis of global order, p.133-134, accessed 12-31-11) JDB

Finally and most importantly, there is the

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dreadful nihilistic of all law’ (NE 187).

### Vote negative to reject democratic and human rights value-based universalism in favor of affirming proper political enmity – war is inevitable, but only an affirmation of equal divisions between friends and enemies allow us to bracket and limit violence

**Rasch, Associate Professor of Germanic Studies at the University of Indiana, 2005**

(William, “Lines in the Sand: Enmity as a Structuring Principle,” The South Atlantic Quarterly 104:2, p258-261, accessed 1-5-12) JDB

How is this possible? Despite its internal

**AND**

**recurring**, asphyxiating **political nightmares of absolute exclusion.**

## Solvency

### No solvency – no middle ground means Sunn-Shia tensions overwhelm the plan

Gardner, BBC security correspondent, 11-22-11

(Frank, “Will Bahrain's crackdown report heal divided nation?” BBC News Middle East, http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-15834361, accessed 12-6-11) JDB

The kingdom, which previously prided itself on

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the interrogation cells of Bahrain's numerous police stations.

### The King rejects the plan – seen as a red line

Ghezali 9-13-11

(Rabah Ghezali, member of the Transatlantic Network 2020, and special to CNN, 9-13-2011, “Bahrain at the heart of Middle East tensions,” CNN, <http://globalpublicsquare.blogs.cnn.com/2011/09/13/bahrain-at-the-heart-of-middle-east-tensions/>)

Inside the regime, the **gap has widened**

**AND**

**removal of the Prime Minister are red lines.**

## Iran

### No Iranian aggression in Bahrain – empirically denied, not even token gestures

A. Savyon, director of the Iranian Media Project at the Middle East Media Research Institute, 7-4-11

(“Iran's Defeat in the Bahrain Crisis: A Seminal Event in the Sunni-Shi'ite Conflict”. <http://www.memri.org/report/en/0/0/0/0/0/0/5424.htm#_ednref6>) JK/JDB

Despite Bahrain's historic, ethnic, and religious

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noted that none of these calls were implemented.

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**To accurately gauge the strategic challenges from Iran**

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, and ability to influence Arab public opinion.

### Iran proliferation unlikely – even if Iran gets nukes it won’t use them

Waltz, Professor of International Relations at UC Berkeley, 2007

(Kenneth, Journal of International Affairs, "A Nuclear Iran: Promoting Stability or Courting Disaster?”, http://iis-db.stanford.edu/pubs/21918/Sagan\_Nuclear\_Iran.pdf)

First, nuclear proliferation is not a problem

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the Cultural Revolution--behaves with such caution.

## Sectarian

### Iraq sectarian violence now

RTT News 12-6-11

(“Bomb Attacks Kill At Least 27 Shia Pilgrims In Iraq,” http://www.rttnews.com/Content/MarketSensitiveNews.aspx?Id=1775286&SM=1, accessed 12-6-11) JDB

At least 27 people have been killed and

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still active despite ongoing efforts to improve security.

### No Sunni-Shia conflict escalation and multiple alt causes

Al-Tamimi 12-2-11

(Aymenn Jawad, Israel National News, “MIDEAST NOTES: Overviewing Shi'a-Sunni Conflicts,” http://www.israelnationalnews.com/Articles/Article.aspx/10933#.Tt7L9NVnCfc, accessed 12-6-11) JDB

Iraq: As U.S. troops

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than a threat of renewed sectarian civil war.

### Alt cause to Sunni-Shia conflict - Yemen

Al-Tamimi 12-2-11

(Aymenn Jawad, Israel National News, “MIDEAST NOTES: Overviewing Shi'a-Sunni Conflicts,” http://www.israelnationalnews.com/Articles/Article.aspx/10933#.Tt7L9NVnCfc, accessed 12-6-11) JDB

Yemen: In the wake of President Ali

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intermediary for Iranian support for Hizbullah in Lebanon).

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Al-Jamal & Farid 4-20-11

(Moussa Mahmoud and Sonia, “Is Iran ‘sectarianizing’ Bahrain conflict?” Al Arabiya News, <http://english.alarabiya.net/articles/2011/04/20/146144.html>) EK/JB

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(April, Bill, Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services for the University of Alaska Anchorage and Journalist, “The New Cold War,” Wall Street Journal, 4-16-11, http://online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748704116404576262744106483816.html] EK/JB

The Saudis currently rely on the U.

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it has renounced the use of nuclear weapons.

## Human Rights

### Ethical policymaking must be grounded in consequences

Isaac, Professor of Political Science at Indiana, 2002

(Jeffrey C., James H. Rudy Professor of Political Science and director of the Center for the Study of Democracy and Public Life, “Ends, Means, and Politics,” Dissent 49:2, Spring 2002, p32)

Power is not a dirty word or an

AND

promotes arrogance. And it undermines political effectiveness.

## Russia

### No Russian expansion – Medvedev’s military doctrine

Borisov, RT News, 2010

(Sergey, 2/8/10 “ROAR: ‘Peaceful military doctrine according to present standards’” http://rt.com/politics/roar-peaceful-military-doctrine/)

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev has signed the new

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that “Russian generals strictly follow political directives.”

### No Russian war – weak military and economic interdependence

Graham 07 - senior advisor on Russia in the US National Security Council staff 2002-2007

Thomas, "Russia in Global Affairs” July - September 2007, The Dialectics of Strength and Weakness An astute historian of Russia, AND long-term relations with Russia.. atw

An astute historian of Russia, Martin Malia

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more constructive long-term relations with Russia.

### Saudi Arabia will hate the plan and intervene – tanks relations and solvency

Nasr, Professor of International Politics at Tufts, 2011

(Vali, “Will the Saudis Kill the Arab Spring?” Bloomberg News, 5/23/11, <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2011-05-23/will-the-saudis-kill-the-arab-spring-.html>)

The kingdom has emerged as the leader of

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and Morocco, which qualify on neither count.

### Deteriorating relations causes Saudi prolif – security concerns

Lippman, senior adjunct scholar at the Council on Foreign Relations, 8-8-11

(Thomas W., Saudi-US Relations Information Service, [http://www.susris.com/2011/08/05/saudi-arabia’s-nuclear-policy-lippman/](http://www.susris.com/2011/08/05/saudi-arabia's-nuclear-policy-lippman/))

So let us suppose that Saudi Arabia’s currently

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might emerge less secure, rather than more.

### The impact is nuclear war

Edelman et al 2011

(ERIC S. EDELMAN is a Distinguished Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments; he was U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy in 2005-9. ANDREW F. KREPINEVICH is President of the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments. EVAN BRADEN MONTGOMERY is a Research Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments Foreign Affairs The Dangers of NATO a Nuclear Iran Andrew F. Krepinevich, and Evan Braden Montgomery Subtitle: The Limits of Containment January 2011 - February 2011 SECTION: Pg. 66 Vol. 90 No. 1 )

The Islamabad option raises a host of difficult

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party, potentially triggering a regional nuclear war.

# Octos – Neg v Capital

## Off

**A. Interpretation – increase requires pre-existence**

Buckley, Attorney, 2006

(Jeremiah, Attorney, Amicus Curiae Brief, Safeco Ins. Co. of America et al v. Charles Burr et al, http://supreme.lp.findlaw.com/supreme\_court/briefs/06-84/06-84.mer.ami.mica.pdf)

First, the court said that the ordinary

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phrase gathers meaning from the words around it”)

## Off 2

**A. Interpretation – substantial is quantitative**

Merriam-Webster 11

(<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/substantially>, accessed 1-3-12)

Definition of SUBSTANTIAL 1 a : consisting of

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: significantly great <earned a substantial wage>

**Substantial is $2.5 billion in context of democracy assistance**

Carothers, Vice President of the Carnegie Endowment for Peace, 2009

(Thomas, “Revitalizing U.S. democracy assistance: the challenge of USAID, <http://carnegieendowment.org/files/revitalizing_democracy_assistance.pdf>, accessed 1-3-12) JDB

Over the past 25 years, the United

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most important player in the democracy aid domain.

## Off 3

**A. Interpretation – democracy assistance is the transfer of funds, expertise, or material for the primary purpose of fostering democracy**

Lappin 2010

(Richard, Ph .D . candidate at the Centre for Peace Research and Strategic Studies at the University of Leuven in Belgium . Richard has participated in over a dozen democracy assistance missions with the UN, EU, OSCE and Carter Center and has recently completed assignments in Sierra Leone, Lebanon and Romania . Richard is currently a visiting scholar at the Faculty of Political Sciences at the University of Belgrade under the JoinEU-SEE programme What We Talk About When We Talk About Democracy Assistance: The Problem of Definition in Post-Conflict Approaches to Democratisation)

**Democracy assistance can be most accurately defined as**

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precise instrument within a broader democracy promotion paradigm.

**And Democracy Assistance is NOT covert**

Toornstra 2010

(Dick, Special Adviser to the European Parliament, Office for the Promotion of Parliamentary Democracy, “Getting Acquainted: Setting the State for Democracy Assistance,” <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/pdf/oppd/Page_8/getting_acquainted_web.pdf>) JDB

Thus, key characteristics of democracy assistance are

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democratisation, in particular socio-economic assistance.

**B. Violation – covert governance assistance is not democracy assistance**

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In principle **democracy assistance can be distinguished from**

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‘assistance’ in the Development Assistance Committee’s terms.

**C. Reasons to prefer:**

**1. Limits – governance affs explode the topic to any number of small administrative improvements and allow them to increase institutional capacity of authoritarian governments – makes the topic bidirectional**

**2. Ground – we lose all links to democratization - which is core neg ground. Covert action means we also lose any perception links like relations which is key common ground across all 6 countries – even if they win a broad interpretation of the mechanism its still best for the negative to be able to read “democracy bad” and perception links – they prevent this.**

**3. Education – they moot the meaning of “democracy assistance” by confusing it with other forms of aid – precision is key to educational debate and solvency**

Lappin, University of Leuven PhD Candidate, 2010

(Richard, Ph .D . candidate at the Centre for Peace Research and Strategic Studies at the University of Leuven in Belgium . Richard has participated in over a dozen democracy assistance missions with the UN, EU, OSCE and Carter Center and has recently completed assignments in Sierra Leone, Lebanon and Romania . Richard is currently a visiting scholar at the Faculty of Political Sciences at the University of Belgrade under the JoinEU-SEE programme What We Talk About When We Talk About Democracy Assistance: The Problem of Definition in Post-Conflict Approaches to Democratisation)

By the end of the 1990s, the

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and in practice, will ultimately be undermined .

**D. T’s a voting issue – that’s above**

## Off 4

**Text: The European Union should substantially increase governance support for Libya by providing the Libyan government with the technical support necessary for the creation of a program in which it may purchase military-issued weaponry from Libyan residents, including but not limited to shoulder-fired anti-aircraft missiles.**

**CP solves best – EU has the infrastructure and better engagement policies**

Tocci and Cassarino 2011

(Nathalie, Deputy Director of the Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome. Jean-Pierre Cassarino is parttime professor at the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, European University Institute, Florence, and scientific advisor at the Istituto Affari Internazionali, Rome, “Rethinking the EU’s Mediterranean Policies Post-1/11,” <http://www.iai.it/pdf/DocIAI/iaiwp1106.pdf>) JDB

The Arab revolts do not call for Europe

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the civil societies of the neighbouring countries too.

## Off 5

**China Currency Manipulation bill won’t pass now – Republican leaders holding the line but pressure building**

The Hill 12/27/11 “Treasury: China not a currency manipulator” http://thehill.com/blogs/on-the-money/1005-trade/201459-treasury-chinas-not-a-currency-manipulator

Even though the House passed legislation on the

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let its currency appreciate at a faster rate.

**Foreign aid spending kills Republican leadership – Boehner won’t be able to corral votes**

**Hulse 11**

Carl Hulse, NY Times, 2/9/11, House Republicans Battle Turmoil in Their Ranks, [www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2011/02/10/us/politics/10congress.html)

Under pressure to make deeper spending cuts and

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for what was described as a productive lunch.

**New tariffs on Chinese goods trigger a trade war**

**Forbes, 9-17, 10**

http://blogs.forbes.com/gordonchang/2010/09/17/the-chinese-currency-weakens

At the hearing, Senator Charles Schumer declared

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**war** that would benefit nobody and damage everybody.

**US-China trade war triggers a war**

Ben **Landy**, Ben Landy, Director of Research and Strategy at the Atlantic Media Company, publisher of the Atlantic Monthly, National Journal, and Government Executive magazines. Landy served in various research and project management positions at the Brookings Institution and Center for Strategic and International Studies, two leading public policy think tanks in Washington, D.C. Ben holds a bachelor of arts degree from Yale University. April 3, 20**07**, <http://chinaredux.com/2007/04/03/protectionism-and-war/#comments>

**The greatest threat for the 21st century is**

**AND**

**increases in military budgets and anti-satellite tests**

**Nuclear extinction**

(**STRAIT TIMES**, June 25, **2K**

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pass, **we would see the destruction of civilization**

## Off 6

**Democracy assistance is a discursive frame used to justify neoliberal imperialist intervention – turns the aff by preventing democratization and breeding resistance**

Sussman 2006

Gerald, teaches Urban Studies and Communications at Portland State University, “The Myths of Democracy Assistance: U.S. Political Intervention in Post-Soviet Eastern Europe,” *Monthly Review*, 58:7, December, <http://monthlyreview.org/2006/12/01/the-myths-of-democracy-assistance-u-s-political-intervention-in-post-soviet-eastern-europe>) PM

U.S. interventionism, except perhaps

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political spin and other expressions of neocolonial hegemony.

**This political rationality creates cultural and racialized others, making annihilation inevitable**

Pinar Batur 7, PhD @ UT-Austin – Prof. of Sociology @ Vassar, “The Heart of Violence: Global Racism, War, and Genocide,” in Handbook of The Sociology of Racial and Ethnic Relations, eds. Vera and Feagin

War and genocide are horrid, and taking

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its existence (Hunter 1991; Buchanan 2002).

**Vote negative to reject the affirmative’s call for increasing U.S. democracy assistance. We must critique the affirmative’s knowledge production which allows for the annihlation**

Shome, Professor of Communication, 1996(Raka, “Postcolonial Interventions in the Rhetorical Canon: An "Other" View,” *Communication Theory*, February, p. 50-52) PM

Second, **the postcolonial critique of Western discursive**

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to engage in as well as contribute to.

## Solvency

**Zero inherency to the aff – they’re 1AC Chivers evidence says that there are negotiations now to implement the plan – only a question of when – vote neg on presumption – also a voting issue since we can’t link any unique offense to a plan that’s occurring**

**Yemen would say no- they just want their funds unfrozen**

**Borzou 11**

(Daragahi Borzou, financial times, Tripoli and Anna Fifield in Washington US vows to take back seat in Libya rebuilding, http://www.ft.com/intl/cms/s/0/a04f3b72-deec-11e0-9af3-00144feabdc0.html September 14, 2011)

Ali Suleiman Aujali, the NTC ambassador to

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Mr Aujali told the Financial Times on Wednesday.

## Civil War

**Their inherency evidence says rebels won’t give up their weapons because they think they need them to receive fair political representation**

Habboush and Shuaib 2012

(Mahmoud Ali TRIPOLI Wed Jan 4, 2012 <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/01/04/us-libya-idUSTRE80301120120104>)

Reuters) - Libya risks sliding into civil

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to keep an armed presence in the capital.

### No Russian expansion – Medvedev’s military doctrine

Borisov, RT News, 2010

(Sergey, 2/8/10 “ROAR: ‘Peaceful military doctrine according to present standards’” http://rt.com/politics/roar-peaceful-military-doctrine/)

Russian President Dmitry Medvedev has signed the new

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that “Russian generals strictly follow political directives.”

## Air Strikes

**1. Aff empirically denied – two reasons**

**A) If only ONE ROCKET is necessary to trigger the aff, there’s zero reason why missiles that were lost 4 months ago didn’t trigger the impact**

**B) Terrorists can build a single shoulder powered launcher**

**2. 1AC Economy impact is empirically denied – 2008 financial crisis should’ve triggered the threshold – there’s no differential**

**Economic growth causes war - economic decline solves**

Deudney, Hewlett Fellow at Princeton, 1991

(Daniel, Hewlett Fellow in Science, Technology, and Society at the Center for Energy and Environmental Studies, “Environment and Security: Muddled Thinking,” Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists 47:3, Proquest, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

In a second scenario, declining living standards

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, specialized industrial products.and surplus wealth.

**Economic decline is key to solving warming and prevent extinction – best scientific models go our way**

Li, Assistant Professor of Economics at Utah, 2011

(Minqi, “The 21st Century Crisis: Climate Catastrophe or Socialism,” Review of Radical Political Economics 43:3, 8-23-11, p.289-301, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

The global average surface temperature is now about

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and society-wide planning (section 6).

**Economic collapse solves growth rates – forces a peaceful shift away from globalization and industrialization**

Lewis 2000

(Chris, PhD American Studies Univ of Colorado Boulder. “The Paradox of Global Development and the Necessary Collapse of Global Industrial Civilization,” June 2000, [www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf](http://www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf))

With the collapse of global industrial civilization

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do, will themselves face collapse and ruin.

**Collapse and suffering are inevitable, but immediate collapse is key to prevent extinction**

Barry, PhD in Land Resources from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2008

(Glen, also with a Masters of Science in "Conservation Biology and Sustainable Development" also from Madison, and a Bachelor of Arts in "Political Science" from Marquette University, “Economic Collapse and Global Ecology,” <http://www.countercurrents.org/barry140108.htm>, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

Humanity and the Earth are faced with an

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can be a final, fatal death swoon.

## Leadership

**Palestine vote alt cause to US cred**

Levy, Director of the Middle East Task Force at the New America Foundation, 9-14-11

(Daniel, “A Palestinian Autumn in New York – what to expect at the U.N.,” Foreign Policy, <http://mideast.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/09/14/a_palestinian_autumn_in_new_york_what_to_expect_at_the_un>) JDB

Europe's salience is a bi-product of

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of Washington's unreliability as a competent world leader.

### **NATO alliance is resilient and will not collapse**

Techau 10 - a Research Advisor at the NATO Defense College in Rome.

(Jan, 17 November, “NATO and the Resilience of the Great Transatlantic Bargain” http://www.ispionline.it/it/documents/Commentary\_Techau\_17.11.2010.pdf)

Whether rushing through such a densely packed agenda

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reveals the reasons for its sturdi-ness.

### NATO fails – Libya proves

Bonavita 6/13/11

the editor and publisher of McLean Publishing Co.

(Denny, June 13, 2011, “Lesson from Libya: NATO becoming useless paper tiger, siphoning precious U.S. dollars” http://www.nashuatelegraph.com/courierexpresscourierexpressouropinion/922420-349/lesson-from-libya-nato-becoming-useless-paper.html)

So what have we learned from the American

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out of South Korea, Japan and Germany.

### No Indo-Pak war – multiple factors

**Mutti 2009**

(James, Master’s in IR with focus on South Asia, Contributing Editor to Demockracy journal, “Mumbai Misperceptions: War is Not Imminent,” 1-5-09, <http://demockracy.com/four-reasons-why-the-mumbai-attacks-wont-result-in-a-nuclear-war/>, accessed 1-9-12) JDB

Writer Amitav Ghosh divined a crucial connection between

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influence to bring more diplomatic pressure on Pakistan.

### Military primacy undermines credibility – creates a power problem that undermines image of benevolence

Carranza, Associate Professor of Political Science at Texas A&M, 2010

(Mario E., “Reality Check: America’s Continuing Pursuit of Regional Hegemony,” Contemporary Security Policy 31:3, 406-440, 12/14/10, accessed 6/15/11) JDB

There is no doubt that due to its

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by the very enormity of its power’. 44

**Scholarship proves credibility is irrelevant**

**Fettweis, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Tulane, 2010**

(Christopher J., “Threat and Anxiety in US Foreign Policy,” April 2010, Survival 52:2, p59-82, accessed 1-11-12) JDB

For individuals as well as **states**, pathologies

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how small the issue or large the odds.

**No impact to cred - allies won’t abandon us and adversaries can’t exploit it**

**Walt, Professor of IR at Harvard, 12-5-11**

(Stephen M., Robert and Renée Belfer professor of international relations at Harvard University, “Does the U.S. still need to reassure its allies?,” <http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/12/05/us_credibility_is_not_our_problem>, accessed 1-6-12) JDB

**A perennial preoccupation** of U.S.

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**most cases little incentive to actually do it.**

**Turn – reduced credibility ends free-riding and perception of the US as globo-cop – that increases cooperation and discourages reckless regional actors**

Walt, Professor of IR at Harvard, 12-5-11

(Stephen M., Robert and Renée Belfer professor of international relations at Harvard University, “Does the U.S. still need to reassure its allies?,” <http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/12/05/us_credibility_is_not_our_problem>, accessed 1-6-12) JDB

Don't get me wrong: having allies around

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worth the effort as we do reassuring them.

**Alt cause to leadership strategy concerns - Syria**

**Fisher, associate editor at The Atlantic, 12-21-11**

(Max, “Is the White House Gearing Up for Action on Syria?,” <http://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2011/12/is-the-white-house-gearing-up-for-action-on-syria/250343/>)

**The White House press office has just released**

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and China would normally be able to block.

## 2NC Cards

### 1NC Lappin evidence indicates that democracy must the primary goal of the affirmative – the plan clearly violates because the primary purpose of the plan is to develop military strength – here’s more evidence on our interpretation

Carothers 2000 (Thomas vice president for studies at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, “Taking Stock of Democracy Assistance” American Democracy Promotion )

The term ‘democracy assistance’ is sometimes used

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. Democracy aid falls into three general categories.

### Democracy assistance excludes governance support

**Mitchell and Phillips 2008**

(Lincoln A, Columbia University School of International and Political Affairs International Politics professor and David L., Columbia University Center for the Study of Human Rights visiting scholar, “ National Committee on American Foreign Policy Project,” Jan 08, ―Enhancing Democracy Assistance‖ , http://www.acus.org/files/publication\_pdfs/65/Enhancing%20Democracy%20Assistance.pdf, p.10-11, accessed 529-11)

Promote Democratic Governance While governance and democracy assistance

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such as participation, contestation, and accountability.

**And their counter-interpretation is a new violation – security is distinctly different** democracy assistance

Huber, Hebrew University of Jerusalem Department of International Relations, 2008

(Daniela, “Democracy Assistance in the Middle East and North Africa; A Comparison of US and EU Policies,” Mediterranean Politics 13:1, p 45-46, March 2008, <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/pdf/10.1080/13629390701864836>)

The American researcher Thomas Carothers gives a definition

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implies that DA is more than electoral assistance.

### Extend 1NC #1 – 2008 financial crisis disproves their economic decline scenario – here’s evidence

Barnett 2009

(Thomas P.M., Senior Managing Director of Enterra Solutions LLC, “The New Rules: Security Remains Stable Amid Financial Crisis,” World Politics Review, 8/25/09, <http://www.aprodex.com/the-new-rules--security-remains-stable-amid-financial-crisis-398-bl.aspx>)

When the global financial crisis struck roughly a

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likely to breed connecting evangelicalism as disconnecting fundamentalism.

### And its empirically denied – 93 cases disprove

Miller, Economist and Adjunct Professor at Ottawa, 2K

(Morris Miller, economist, adjunct professor in the University of Ottawa’s Faculty of Administration, consultant on international development issues, former Executive Director and Senior Economist at the World Bank, Winter 2000, Interdisciplinary Science Reviews, Vol. 25, Iss. 4, “Poverty as a cause of wars?”)

The question may be reformulated. Do wars

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using one form of violence to abort another).

### Tech fails to solve the ills of growth – multiple terminal barriers

Martenson, PhD in Economics, 2009

(Dr. Chris, also a Post Carbon Institute Fellow for Economy and Preparedness, “Copenhagen & Economic Growth - You Can't Have Bothm” published 12-24-09, archieved 1-19-10, <http://www.energybulletin.net/node/51229>, accessed 12-24-11) JDB

I want to point out that a massive

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lies behind the calls for renewed economic growth.

### Tech can’t solve – the problems are way beyond fixing by technological advances – means its try or die for the negative

Trainer, Senior Lecturer of Social Work at the University of New South Wales, 2010

(Ted, “The Problems of Climate Change Cannot Be Solved By Consumer Societies”, June http://journalofcosmology.com/ClimateChange106.html),

One of the fundamental contributing factors to the

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waste products threatens the very foundations of civilization.

### And - policymakers will learn from past mistakes and shift to local solutions

Lewis 2000

(Chris, PhD American Studies Univ of Colorado Boulder. “The Paradox of Global Development and the Necessary Collapse of Global Industrial Civilization,” June 2000, [www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf](http://www.cross-x.com/archives/LewisParadox.pdf))

The only alternative we now have is to

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complex, interconnected web of life on earth.

### More evidence – lack of resources prevents transition wars and resolves rivalries

Bennet and Nordstrom, Professors of Political Science at Penn State, 2000

(D. Scott and Timothy, “Foreign Policy Substitutability and the Internal Economic Problems in Enduring Rivalries,” Journal of Conflict Resolution 44:33, February 2000, accessed 12-14-11) JDB

**In this analysis, we focus on using**

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**design that can account for substitutability between them.**

### Impacts to hegemonic decline are myths – decline is good and causes retrenchment - solves great power wars, long term influence, and interventionism

**MacDonald and Parent 11**

(Paul K. MacDonald is Assistant Professor of Political Science at Williams College. Joseph M. Parent is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Miami, Graceful Decline? The Surprising Success of Great Power Retrenchment,” International Security 35:4, Spring 2011, accessed 1-9-12) JDB

Other observers advocate retrenchment policies, but they

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that failed to retrench recovered their relative position.

**Turn – reduced credibility ends free-riding and perception of the US as globo-cop – that increases cooperation and discourages reckless regional actors**

Walt, Professor of IR at Harvard, 12-5-11

(Stephen M., Robert and Renée Belfer professor of international relations at Harvard University, “Does the U.S. still need to reassure its allies?,” <http://walt.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/12/05/us_credibility_is_not_our_problem>, accessed 1-6-12) JDB

Don't get me wrong: having allies around

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worth the effort as we do reassuring them.

## 1NR Cards

### China currency manipulation being stopped by Boehner now

Metropolitan Corporate Counsel January 4th 2011 “The Senate Passes Legislation To Apply The Trade Laws To Chinese Currency Practices” http://www.metrocorpcounsel.com/articles/17233/senate-passes-legislation-apply-trade-laws-chinese-currency-practices

S. 1619’s prospects in the House are

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it would likely pass by a comfortable margin.

### Pressure is building on Boehner to stop blocking China Bill

Foraward.msci.org Jan 6th 2012 <http://forward.msci.org/articles/?id=403> “MANUFACTURING: THE VIEW FROM THE HOUSE” Interview with Tim Ryan

We can begin with passing the China currency

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to come together once again to grow American industry

### Link debate:

### Democracy assistance is unpopular – bipartisan opposition

* Democrats
* Tea Party

Hamid, Director of Research at the Brookings Doha Center, 2011

(Shadi, “Tunisia, Egypt, Arab world need bold US support for democracy, not mixed messages,” 1-26-11, Christian Science Monitor, http://www.csmonitor.com/Commentary/Opinion/2011/0126/Tunisia-Egypt-Arab-world-need-bold-US-support-for-democracy-not-mixed-messages)

Considering the amount of resources invested in the

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Oddly, they’ve become more difficult to find.

### Strong congressional opposition to the plan

Emery 8-23-11 (Theo Emery, Staff Writer for the Boston Globe, “Congress could resist additional aid to Libya,” [http://www.boston.com/Boston/politicalintelligence/2011/08/congress-could-resist-additional-aid-libya/DMmIHbENjJ0A6QBAednf0M/index.html)](http://www.boston.com/Boston/politicalintelligence/2011/08/congress-could-resist-additional-aid-libya/DMmIHbENjJ0A6QBAednf0M/index.html%29)

WASHINGTON – After protests erupted in Libya early

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plus we can’t afford it,” Frank said.

**Boehner empirically makes concessions to the Tea Party to maintain leadership.**

USelectionnews.org November 12th, 2010 “Boehner Throws Tea Party A Bone After Bachmann Concession”

In the days after Minnesota Representative Michelle Bachmann’s

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leadership in the House in the next two years