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Politics

**PTC will pass – compromise coming**

**New York Times 2.10.12** lexis PM

**The committee still …..** Congress takes a holiday break.

Obama key to pushing payroll

Washington Post February 4th 2012 <http://www.washingtonpost.com/business/obama-urges-public-to-press-congress-on-housing-proposal/2012/02/04/gIQAOIk3oQ_story.html> “Obama urges public to press Congress on housing proposal”

Republicans say …. much-needed certainty.”

Massive republican opposition to Yemen/Egypt foreign aid

 Mary Beth Sheridan (diplomatic correspondent for The Washington Post She was awarded an Overseas Press Club award in 1998 for her work in Mexico and was part of a Washington Post team that were Pulitzer Prize finalists for reporting on terrorism.)7/27/11 “House panel to vote on bill that would slash State Department funding, impose new restrictions” http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/checkpoint-washington/post/house-panel-to-vote-on-bill-that-would-slash-some-state-department-funding/2011/07/27/gIQA3NxocI\_blog.html

A key House ….and disaster relief.”

PTC k/t econ

Wazshington Post February 9th 2012 “Wonkbook: Economy poised to beat expectations in 2012. But will Congress get in its way?” http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/ezra-klein/post/wonkbook-economy-poised-to-beat-expectations-in-2012-but-will-congress-get-in-its-way/2012/02/09/gIQAmKcA1Q\_blog.html

The other …. pessimistic after all

**Economic decline causes war – multiple warrants and the best research flows aff**

**Royal, Director of Cooperative Threat Reduction at the U.S. Department of Defense, 2010**

(Jedediah, “Economic Integration, Economic Signaling and the Problem of Economic Crises,” in Economics of War and Peace: Economic, Legal, and Political Perspectives, ed. Goldsmith and Brauer, p.213-215) JDB

Less intuitive is …. to those views.

Tradeoff

There is a direct trade off in US foreign aid

Clawson, 2000

(Patrick, deputy director for research at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy, Middle East Quarterly

June 2000, pp. 43-53, http://www.meforum.org/63/debate-continue-us-aid-to-israel)MKD

MEQ: It's a zero-sum game?

Clawson: The United States ….10-percent-sum game.

Latin America is the lowest priority – shifting assistance towards security objectives would come by cutting Latin American programs.

Sanchez, 06 (MARCELA SANCHEZ, 1-28-2006 , "Linking foreign aid and security," Washington Post,) KH

Aid experts inside …. national security objectives.”

Perceptually impact triggers instantly

Hyman, 2009

(Gerald F., senior adviser and president of the Hills Program on Governance at CSIS, A Cabinet-level Development

Agency Right Problem, Wrong Solution, January, CSIS, csis.org/files/media/csis/pubs/090121\_hyman\_cabinet\_web.pdf)MKD

The unwarranted ….and took it.

USAID solves for biodiversity in Latin America

Franco, 2007

(Adolfo A., Assistant Administrator - Bureau for Latin America and the Caribbean United States Agency for International Development, Committee on House Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs, March 28, 2007, CQ Congressional Testimony)MKD

The Latin … environmental services.

Species Loss Risks Extinction

Diner 1994(Major David N.; Instructor, Administrative and Civil Law Division, The Judge Advocate General's School, United States Army) "The Army and the Endangered Species Act: Who's Endangering Whom?" 143 Mil. L. Rev. 161 l/n WBW

The prime reason …. benefits to mankind. 68

Saudi

Relations are improving because of a lack of involvement

AFP 9-18-11

(“Saudi Ties in Good Shape: US official,” [www.gulf-times.com/site/topics/printArticle.asp?cu\_no=2&item\_no=458987&version=1&template\_id=37&parent\_id=17](http://www.gulf-times.com/site/topics/printArticle.asp?cu_no=2&item_no=458987&version=1&template_id=37&parent_id=17), accessed 1-11-12) JDB

**The key diplomatic …** King Abdullah.

B. Link - 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 … neither count.

C. 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%27s-nuclear-policy-lippman/))

So let us …rather than more.

D. 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 … regional nuclear war.

China

Uniq-Relations with China look good but will require a lot of work and careful planning

Chen Dongxiao January 5, 2012 (China-US Relations in 2012: Caution Ahead<http://www.chinausfocus.com/slider/no-reason-for-chagrin-over-china-us-relations-but-cautious-management-needed-in-2012/>)

While these driving … the year ahead.

Link-Democracy Promotion in the Middle East kills relations

Yinhong 11 May 17th, 2011 Author: Shi Yinhong, Renmin University of China

The recent …. and political reforms.

China Fears US’ Democracy Crusade

Friedberg 7/1/11 (Aaron, professor of politics and international affairs at Princeton University, http://shadow.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/07/01/in\_us\_china\_relations\_ideology\_matters)

As seen from … pro-U.S. democracies.

US/China relations key to the global economy

**US Department of State**, September 16, **2005** [“Treasury's Adams Says U.S.-China Relations Shape Global Growth,” <http://usinfo.state.gov/eap/Archive/2005/Sep/16-200238.html>]

The United States ….global economic imbalances."

Economic collapse goes nuclear

T.E. **Bearden**, LTC U.S. Army (Retired), **2000**

[“The Unnecessary Energy Crisis: How to Solve It Quickly,” http://www.freerepublic.com/forum/a3aaf97f22e23.htm, June 24]

History bears out …. many decades.

Hollow Hope

**A. Conservative courts have shifted movements away from the courts**

McDonnell 1997 (Brett, Law clerk to Alex Kozinski, U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, “Dynamic Statutory Interpretations and Sluggish Social Movements,” *California Law Review*, July, 85 Calif. L. Rev. 919)

Part VI applies …. the most sense.

**B. Court victory trades off with and stop social movements**

Carter 1992 (Stephen L., William Nelson Cromwell Professor of Law at Yale, “1992 Survey of books relating to the law; I. The courts and the constitution: Do courts matter?,” *Michigan Law Review*, May, 90 Mich. L. Rev. 1216)

 Rosenberg goes beyond… changes take place (p. 341).

**C. Social movements, not courts, are key to change.**

Carter 1992 (Stephen L., William Nelson Cromwell Professor of Law at Yale, “1992 Survey of books relating to the law; I. The courts and the constitution: Do courts matter?,” *Michigan Law Review*, May, 90 Mich. L. Rev. 1216)

 There, in fine….a powerful constituency.

EU

EU solves best – money, markets, and influence

Ashton, High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy of the European Union, 2011

(Catherine, NYT, “What Next in North Africa?,” 3/18/11, <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/03/19/opinion/19iht-edashton19.html>) JDB

I shall set ….services into Europe.

EU

US overstreched now and goals too narrowly focused on counter terrorism effort to assist yemen, EU must step up

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 …as a whole.

EU credibility down in ME- only way to revitalize is through true democracy promotion efforts

Times of Malta February 3, 2011 Patrick Cooke “EU ‘has lost all credibility’ on democracy in Middle East”

<http://www.timesofmalta.com/articles/view/20110203/local/eu-has-lost-all-credibility-on-democracy-in-middle-east.348320>

The European Union….,” she said.

EU soft power key to Israel/ Palestinian peace agreement

Dr Hans-Gert Pöttering,(MEP, former President of the European Parliament and Chairman of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung) and Massimo d’Alema 2011(former Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Italy) THE NEED OF EUROPE IN THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS” http://www.kas.de/palaestinensische-gebiete/en/publications/21954/

The European Union ….should be established

The Israel/Palestinian conflict causes nuclear war

Kamal Nawash 2009 Founder of Free Muslims Coalition , “Israel/Palestine Conflict May Lead to Nuclear War” <http://www.freemuslims.org/blog/index.php?id=39>

The conflict …. is running out.

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Net Benefit Uniqueness: Obama’s new Chief of Staff Jacob Lew is looking for opportunities to increase Obama’s presidential powers

Nicholas 1/13/2012. Peter, staff writer (Washington Bureau). “Obama's new chief of staff an expert on executive powers,” Los Angeles Times. /sal

With the … a particular time.

Obama Agenda/Re-election Internal

And now is key for an expansion of prez powers- Obama’s agenda and re-election depend on it

Peterson 1/11/12. Henry, staff writer. “Obama flexing same powers he once criticized,” The Washington Examiner (DC).

As he eyes re-election, … without congressional approval.

K

The term “Middle East” in the tag of their Spanos 2008 card is an old British label based on the orientalist perception of England as the Center and everywhere else as the periphery. We can agree with their advocacy but they should use “Afro-Asian World” or one of several alternatives instead

Hanafi 98 (Hassan, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Cairo where he has been Chairman of the Department of Philosophy since 1988. “The Middle East, in whose world?,” The Fourth Nordic Conference on Middle Eastern Studies: The Middle East in Globalizing World. August //shree)

1. The expression Middle …..and the periphery.

Turns Case

Hanafi 98 (Hassan, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Cairo where he has been Chairman of the Department of Philosophy since 1988. “The Middle East, in whose world?,” The Fourth Nordic Conference on Middle Eastern Studies: The Middle East in Globalizing World. August //shree)

Islam is described ….who can tell?

K

Start your decision with a recognition of your connection to more than human others. Beginning with the human social betrays your anthropocentric bias and reinforces the root cause of violence.

Rose 6 (Rebecca, Lecturer in Literature for Trinity College Foundation Studies, The University of Melbourne, 2006, C*OLLOQUY text theory critique* 12//shree)

In recent decades …. in the making.29

Vote negative to reject their egocentric and ethnocentric ethics in favor of an ecocentric ethic that starts by emphasizing the intrinsic values of Earth’s geoecosystem.

Rowe 3 (Stan, retired ecology teacher, prof emeritus at the U of Saskatchewan, *The Trumpeter* Volume 19, Number 2//shree)

Ethical systems express …., an Ecological Ethics.

K

The affirmative’s democracy assistance policy is rooted in a violent discourse of emancipation that frames the US as needing to save the barbaric populations of [insert country.] This leads to framing of certain populations, like the Islamic other, as threats tied to a destructive politics of care.

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

**A crucial implication …. external and internal.**

The alternative is postcolonial critique – vote negative as an act of critiquing the discursive imperialism throughout the plan, advantages, and framing of democracy assistance – this is necessary to avoid trapping critique in an ivory tower

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 ….**as contribute to.

U.S. led democracy assistance necessitates the exclusion of the feminine by exporting the inherent gender bias of Western political theory and naturalizing already existing patriarchal structures.

Handrahan 1 (Lori M., Prof @ American U, International Center for Gender Studies, Gendering Ethnicity: Implications for Democracy Assistance, pg. 73-74//shree)

Moreover, feminists …. USAID funds were 100% mean (Zairash 1998).

Patriarchy results in structural violence - outweighs imagined scenarios

Bunch 90 – She founded the Center for Women's Global Leadership,  recipient of the Eleanor Roosevelt Award for Human Rights,  currently a member of the Advisory Committee for the Human Rights Watch Women's Rights Division,  recently served on the Advisory Committee for the Secretary General’s 2006 Report to the General Assembly on Violence against Women (Charlotte, “Women’s Rights as Human Rights: Towards a Re-Vision of Human Rights”, <http://www.jstor.org/stable/762496>]

The most insidious …. of their bodies.

We instead choose to adopt a feminist curiosity that challenges traditional notions of political decision making. Only this curiosity can solve for the root causes of gendered politics.

Enloe, 2007

(Cynthia, Research Professor, *Globalization and Militarism: Feminists Make the Link,*[Department of International Development, Community, and Environment](http://clarku.edu/departments/idce/) and [Women's Studies](http://clarku.edu/departments/womensstudies/), Clark University, p. 17)MKD

To make sense …. way it does.