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Hegemony is not sustainable – current trends show decline in all facets of US power.

Haas 8 (Richard, CFR pres., May/June, http://www.foreignaffairs.org/20080501faessay87304/richard-n-haass/the-age-of-nonpolarity.html)

In this world, the… is the proliferation of weaponry.

The United States hegemonic decline has already happened

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The Cold War's end stifled… next ten to fifteen years.

But attempting to restore it causes a war with China

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Great power politics is about power… are on a collision course.

us-china war risks extinction

Johnson 1 (Chalmers, The Nation, May 14, Wilson OmniFile: Full Text Select)

China is another matter… virtually no deterrent effect.

Data disproves Barnett/Kagan

Montiero 12 [Assistant Professor of Political Science at Yale University Nuno, Unrest Assured, International Security, Vol. 36, No. 3 (Winter 2011/12), http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/files/Unrest\_Assured.pdf

In contrast, the question… all but monopolized our attention.

Data disproves hegemony impacts

Fettweis, 11

Christopher J. Fettweis, Department of Political Science, Tulane University, 9/26/11, Free Riding or Restraint? Examining European Grand Strategy, Comparative Strategy, 30:316–332, EBSCO

It is perhaps worth noting that… view on faith alone.

Decline will be peaceful

Kennedy10 [ director of International Security Studies @ Yale Paul, professor of history and director of international security studies at Yale University. “Back to Normalcy: Is America really in decline?”. The New Republic, Vol. 241, Issue 20. 12/30/2010.

America's military strengths are,… It will be more normal.

Middle east instability is a catalyst for high oil prices

McElroy [Kevin McElroy is a resource prospector for Wyatt Investment Research; June 2 2010 “What Will Make Oil Prices Rise this Summer?” http://www.wyattresearch.com/article/what-will-make-oil-prices-rise-this-summer/5366; 6/30/2010; K.C.]

Oil investors are looking… this company’s stock price.

High oil prices cause renewable shift that solves climate change

Steve Yetiv (professor of political science and international studies at Old Dominion University) February 6 2006

“America benefits from high oil prices,” San Diego Union-Tribune,

http://www.signonsandiego.com/uniontrib/20060206/news\_mz1e6yetiv.html

In particular, what can high oil prices do that America's energy policy fails to do? First, sooner or later, high oil prices spur the development of alternative… starts to dwindle in the future.

Warming causes extinction

Oliver Tickell (Climate Researcher) August 11 2008 “On a planet 4C hotter, all we can prepare for is extinction”, <http://www.guardian.co.uk/commentisfree/2008/aug/11/climatechange>)

We need to get prepared for four… towards a similar hothouse Earth

Hegemony increases the risk of nuclear terrorism which will lead to extinction.

Fischer 5 (Dietrich, Academic Director of The European University Center for Peace Studies, July 10, 2005 (“The Real Threat is Nuclear Terrorism”, http://www.wagingpeace.org/articles/2005/07/10\_fischer\_real-threat-nuclear-terrorism.htm))

As long as the… adapt to new conditions.

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The alternative fractures resistance – reform is key

J.K. Gibson-Graham, feminist economist, 1996, End of Capitalism

One of our goals as Marxists… economy appears as the last.

Their won’t be a spillover from their alternative – there’s only a risk for an aff link turn – not using the state as a starting point results in violence

Amy 2007

(Douglas J. AMY, Professor of Politics at Mount Holyoke College. "Government as the Champion of Justice, Equality, Freedom, and Security." 2007. Online.)

The most obvious manifestation… by the government.

Religion

Time, No Date (Magazine, “Religion: Protestantism and Capitalism” http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,872821,00.html)

"Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth," said Jesus, "for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Yet it is a widely argued thesis that… Religion and the Rise of Capitalism.

Transition wars will kill the planet but not capitalism

Flood ‘04

(Andrew, Anarchist organizer and writer, “Civilization, Primitivism, Anarchism,” <http://www.anarkismo.net/newswire.php?story_id=1451>)

However it is worth… oil production takes place

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Middle East conflict won’t escalate – local conflicts do not spillover

Steven A. Cook (fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations) Ray Takeyh (fellows at the Council on Foreign Relations) and Suzanne Maloney (senior fellow at Saban Center) June 28 2007 “Why the Iraq war won't engulf the Mideast”, International Herald Tribune

Finally, there is no… the entire Middle East

Unsustainable – liberalism fails, econ, relations, being ignored

Kanin and Meyer, 2012

(David, adjunct prof @ Johns Hopkins in Advanced International Studies – and Steven, fellow at the Center for Public Justice – both former employees of the CIA, “America’s Outmoded Security Strategy,” *Current History*, January, EBSCOHost)

More than two… to fight the Taliban.

Hegemony doesn’t deter proliferation, it aggravates it

John J. Mearsheimer, Distinguished Service Professor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, January-February, 2011, National Interest, Imperial By Design, p. online

IF ALL of this were… follow Washington's orders.