# Saudi DA

## Plan tanks relations

**Leigh, Time writer, 2011**

(Karen, “The U.S. and Bahrain: How to Talk Just Tough Enough with an Ally”, 6-8, [http://www.time.com/time/world/article/0,8599,2076559,00.html](http://www.time.com/time/world/article/0%2C8599%2C2076559%2C00.html), DOA: 9-23-11, ldg)

Coming after Obama lashed out at Bahrain's violent crackdown … as long as promises of talks are kept, and tear gas stops raining down on Manama.

## That causes Saudi Prolif

**Guzansky, Institute for National Security Studies, 2011**

(Yoel, “Tehran tests Saudis' nerve on nuclear weapons”, 7-1, <http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/world/tehran-tests-saudis-nerve-on-nuclear-weapons/story-e6frg6ux-1226085108555>, DOA: 9-23-11, ldg)

UNTIL recently it appeared that US security guarantees would … from intrusive International Atomic Energy Agency monitoring.

## Nuclear war

**Edelman et al., Center for Strategic and Budgetary assessments distinguished fellow, 2011**

(Eric, “The Dangers of a Nuclear Iran”, Foreign Affairsm Jan/feb, ebsco, ldg)

The Islamabad option raises a host of difficult issues, … could lead to a new Great Game, with unpredictable consequences.

# Aid Trade Off DA

## A. Effective USAID programs key to prevent pandemic disease

**Batson, USAID Global Health deputy assistant administrator, 11**

(Amie, Congressional Testimony, Targeted News Service, 5-31-11, l/n, accessed 11-8-11, mss)

The success of the global health effort depends on … must be delivered to the people who need them most.

## Foreign aid funding is zero-sum- plan forces a tradeoff

**Sessions, Center for Global Development program coordinator, 6**

(Myra, "The PMI Turns One – How Will We Measure Success?," Center for Global Development, blogs.cgdev.org/globalhealth/2006/07/the-pmi-turns-one-how-will-we.php, accessed 8-31-11, mss)

Thanks for the comment and question, Michael. I have not done the analysis of the … about the successes and opportunities of the initiatives.

## AND- New cuts gut USAID

**Worthington, InterAction CEO and president, 11**

(Samuel, InterAction is the largest alliance of U.S.-based international nongovernmental organizations, "US must learn from Britain and not cut foreign aid," The Guardian, 8-1-11, www.guardian.co.uk/global-development/poverty-matters/2011/aug/01/us-foreign-aid-cuts, accessed 8-27-11, mss)

Current budget battles in Washington could result … poorest populations make no sense to us either.

**Extinction.**

**Keating**, Foreign Policy Web Editor, 200**9**

[Joshua, “The End of the World”, 11-13, http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2009/11/13/the\_end\_of\_the\_world?page=full, ldg]

How it could happen: Throughout history, plagues … weapons experimentation has added a new and just as troubling complication.

# Politics (JV) DA

## JV will pass-Obama pushing

**Fox Business, 3-15**

("Obama's Push on Trade With Russia Raises Senate Concerns," 3-15-12, www.foxbusiness.com/news/2012/03/15/obamas-push-on-trade-with-russia-raises-senate-concerns/, accessed 3-24-12, mss)

Senators from both parties raised concerns Thursday … that lawmakers won't want to hurt U.S. exporters in order to send a message to Moscow.

## Plan drains capital

**Hamid, Project on Middle East Democracy director of research, 2011**

(Shadi, "Tunisia, Egypt, Arab world need bold US support for democracy, not mixed messages," 1-26-11, Dow Jones Factiva, accessed 6-11-11, mtf)

Hard to shift gears now Considering the amount of resources … are likely to make Americans uncomfortable.)

## PC key- China proves

**Palmer, Reuters staff, 12-13**

(Doug, "Russia trade vote will be "hard lift": U.S. lawmaker," Reuters, 12-13-11, mobile.reuters.com/article/politicsNews/idUSTRE7BC1DE20111213?irpc=932, accessed 3-24-12, mss)

The White House faces a major challenge next year … push by the administration of President Bill Clinton.

## C. PNTR key to sustainable relations- psychology and political constituency

**Allison et al, Harvard Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs director, 11**

(Graham Allison, Harvard Kennedy School’s Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs director, leading analyst of U.S. national security and defense policy for three decades, former Assistant Secretary of Defense, and Robert D. Blackwill, Council on Foreign Relations U.S. foreign policy senior fellow, former deputy assistant to the president and deputy national security adviser for strategic planning under George W. Bush, former Ambassador to India, served in the National Security Council, former Harvard international security lecturer, et al, “Russia and U.S. National Interests: Why Should Americans Care,” Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs & the Center for the National Interest, October 2011, http://www.cftni.org/Russia-and-US-NI\_final-web.pdf, accessed 3-24-12, mss)

Bilateral U.S.-Russian trade and investment remains politically … **each country grows and acquires critical mass**.

## Strong relations key to prevent US-Russia war AND solve the aff- the alternative empowers Russian ultra-nationalists

**Cohen, NYU Russia studies professor, 11**

(Stephen, Ph.D. in government and Russian studies from Columbia University, he has studied Russia's history and politics for fifty years as professor of politics and Russian studies at Princeton University (1968-98) and then Russian Studies and History at New York University since then, advised former President George H.W. Bush, The Nation contributing editor, "Obama's Russia 'Reset'," The Nation, 6-1-11, www.thenation.com/article/161063/obamas-russia-reset-another-lost-opportunity?page=full, accessed 3-23-12, mss)

An enduring **existential reality** has been lost in … **to buffer the reset, it is highly** vulnerable to such attacks.

# Charity CP

## CP Text: The United States Federal Government should remove Internal Revenue Code lobbying restrictions on charities and foundations that offer assistance to foreign NGO’s to provide material support for constitutional reform for Bahrain

## Lifting restrictions solve.

**Crimm, Professor of Law at St. John's, 05**

[Nina J., “Democratization, Global Grant-Making, and the Internal Revenue Code Lobbying Restrictions”, LEGAL STUDIES RESEARCH PAPER SERIES PAPER #08-0100 MARCH 2008, 2/9/12, atl]

This essay focuses on the latter group of foreign NGOs, … the risks of refraining from cautious experimentation.

# God K

## Engaging political questions corrupts our relationship to God

**Copeland, University of Miami School of Law associate professor, 9**

(Charlton C., "God-Talk in the Age of Obama: Theology and Religious Political Engagement," Denver University Law Review, 86 Denv. U.L. Rev. 663, 2009, l/n, accessed 1-27-12, mss)

The rejection of the social order and its … near-complete separation of the two realms.

## Your ultimate concern ought to be how to be properly related to God- it’s the only worthwhile source of value

**Craig, Talbot School of Theology philosophy research professor, 4**

(Dr. William Lane, Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of Birmingham (England), Th.D. under from the University of Munich, "Does God Exist?" 2004, delveintojesus.com/Articles/64/Does-God-Exist.aspx, accessed 11-20-11, mss)

C. S. Lewis once remarked that God is not the sort of …evidence is equal to prefer death, futility, and despair over hope, meaningfulness and happiness.

[Matt note: gender-paraphrased]

# Solvency

## The opposition doesn’t want moderate reform

**Jones et al., Rutgers Middle East history professor, 1-2-12**

(Toby, “Bahrain's revolutionaries,” <http://mideast.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2012/01/02/bahrains_revolutionaries>, DOA: 1-30-12, ldg)

Most outside observers, particularly policymakers … mobility and people's ability to organize more broadly.

## 1) No solvency- Saudi Arabia will spoil, pressure is key, and the government will never reform

Kavkeb, MA International Journalism City U London, 3-20

(Dominic, “Saudi Arabia, US control Bahrain rulers conduct: Analyst ,” <http://presstv.com/detail/232545.html>, DOA: 3-27, atw)

Press TV: When we are looking at the situation in Bahrain …they want to keep themselves on top of the situation.

## 2) The opposition won’t talk until prisoners are released

Daily Times, 3-20

(“Free prisoners before talks: Bahrain opposition,” <http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/default.asp?page=2012%5C03%5C20%5Cstory_20-3-2012_pg4_2_>, DOA: 3-27, atw)

Bahrain’s main opposition groups say authorities … 45 people have died in Bahrain’s unrest since February 2011.

# Fleet

## Can’t solve cred

**Gause, Vermont political science professor, 12-21-11**

(F. Gregory, “Don't Just Do Something, Stand There!”, <http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2011/12/21/america_arab_spring_do_nothing?page=full>, DOA: 2-3-12, ldg)

Not only should the United States not make the domestic politics …. America just cannot win their hearts and minds.

## Obama won’t use it

**Lepeska, The National's Qatar correspondent, 12**

(David, "Obama and the Middle East: Why the US is disengaging," The National, 1-27-12, l/n, accessed 2-5-12, mss)

Obama and the Middle East: Why **the US is disengaging**

… confidence once more after the recent failed Arab League mission.

## Relocation inevitable

The Times, 2011

(“US fleet may quit troubled Bahrain”, The Australian, July 21, <http://www.theaustralian.com.au/news/world/us-fleet-may-quit-troubled-bahrain/story-e6frg6so-1226098580227>, accessed 8/3/11, SLC)

THE US Navy is looking at plans to move its Fifth … -- giving the US greater incentive to leave.

## Alternatives solve

Koplovsky, Former US embassy charge d'affaires, 06

(Michael, Deputy Chief of Mission at U.S. Embassy Lusaka, 10-23, “Precipitating The Inevitable: The Surpringly Benign Impact Of Losing Basing Rights In Bahrain”, Accessed 9-22-11 <http://www.dtic.mil/cgi-bin/GetTRDoc?AD=ADA463412&Location=U2&doc=GetTRDoc.pdf>) NJR

By establishing a network of cooperative locations and … in the right place and at the right time to succeed.

## Gulf naval dominance inevitable

Ackerman, Wired.com senior reporter, 3-12

(3-12, Spencer, citing Jonathan Greenert, the Navy’s senior officer, “ Gunboats, Super-Torpedoes, Sea-Bots: U.S. Navy Launches Huge Iran Surge,” <http://www.wired.com/dangerroom/2012/03/navy-persian-gulf/>, DOA: 3/21/12, atw)

Sending more aircraft carriers to the waters near Iran, … the Gulf and keeping its activities “normal.”

## Navy Power not key to heg

Goure, Department of Defense Transition Team, 10

(Daniel, “Can the Case be Made for Naval Power?” Lexington Institute, 2 July 2010, <http://www.lexingtoninstitute.org/can-the-case-be-made-for-naval-power-?a=1&c=1171>, lmm)

More broadly, it appears that the nature of the security …seem relatively unimportant in today’s world.

**U.S. can’t deploy heg**

**Talmadge**, Staff Writer for the Harvard International Review, 20**06**

(Caitlin, Ph.D. candidate in political science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, "The Restrained Hegemon," 5-6-06, Harvard International Review, http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/search?q=cache:http://hir.harvard.edu/intelligence/the-restrained-hegemon, accessed 3-17-11, mtf)

First, **the domestic politics of the U**nited **S**tates **limit its …** sole superpower, the United States avoids acting like one.

**No impact to heg**

**Zakaria, 08** (Fareed, editor of Newsweek International, *The Post American World*, pages 242-243)

What if that hegemony is waning? America no longer … **Smaller work-arounds might be just as effective.**

## 1. Iran won’t and can’t close the Strait

**Singh, managing director of the Washington Institute, 1/3**

(Michael, “The Real Iranian Threat in the Gulf,” January 3, 2012, [www.washingtoninstitute.org/templateC06.php?CID=1789](http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/templateC06.php?CID=1789), accessed 1-5-12, tlr)

Iran's bellicose rhetoric and Gulf war games in recent days … **end in a serious strategic setback for the Iranian regime**.

**No escalation-conflict will be isolated**

**Andrews, United Society Journalist, 1-19-12**

(Anita, “The Real Bahrain.” <http://www.unitesociety.com/the-real-bahrain/info-94.html>, d/a 2-13-12, ads)

Bahrain cannot be compared to Egypt, Libya, or Syria; it … of gaining more momentum by resorting to violent and dangerous activities.

# 2nd Adv

## Bahrain not key- New GCC development projects solve [most recent evidence] [assumes Bahrain]

**Emirates Business, 3-27** ("Dubai to spur UAE growth in 2012," www.emirates247.com/business/economy-finance/dubai-to-spur-uae-growth-in-2012-2012-03-27-1.450552, accessed 3-30-12, mss)

High spending in Abu Dhabi will also boost … expected to remain at around 13 and 24 percent of GDP respectively in 2012.”

**Conflict won’t escalate- Cold Start doctrine**

**Kanwal**, **Centre for Land Warfare Studies director**, 8-1-20**10**

[Gurmeet, "Can 'Cold Start' Doctrine Ensure Strategic Stability in South Asia?" l/n, accessed 10-13-10, mss]

After the 2001-02 military stand-off and India's frustration … escalation of any future conflict to the nuclear level.

## Their author concludes Bahrain not key – Islamic banks are resilient AND other countries will fill in

**Islamic Globe, 11**

(“Bahrain on the brink,” The Islamic Globe, 2-28-11, <http://www.theislamicglobe.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=63:bahrain-on-the-brink-&catid=9:article&Itemid=53>, accessed 2-13-12, beh)

However, with regards to the global Islamic … Islamic finance centres, such as Qatar or Kuwait.”

## Any MENA instability crushes perception of GCC – oil-producing countries are key, not Bahrain

**Ulrichsen, London School of Economics research fellow, 11**

(Kristian, “Bahrain: evolution or revolution?” OpenDemocracy, 3-1-11, <http://www.opendemocracy.net/kristian-coates-ulrichsen/bahrain-evolution-or-revolution>, accessed 2-13-12, beh)

Already, significant unrest has occurred elsewhere in the Gulf. … Gulf States so firmly on the world map in recent years.

## Economic ties and GCC strength are stronger than ever despite instability – solves the impact

## Ali, Special reporter for Gulf News, 2/12

[Jasim, February 12, 2012, “Saudi-Bahraini economic ties hit new high”, http://gulfnews.com/business/opinion/saudi-bahraini-economic-ties-hit-new-high-1.979104, 2/13/12, atl]

Whilst press reports continue speculating on a … Bahrain as a base for a new television channel.

## Growth decline inevitable, no impact to GCC decline, AND Bahrain not key and will grow

## Sambidge, Arabian Business, 1-20-12

(Andy, “ GCC's economic growth set to ease to 4% in 2012” <http://www.arabianbusiness.com/gcc-s-economic-growth-set-ease-4-in-2012-441600.html> accessed: 2/13/12)mlb

Real GDP growth in the Gulf Cooperation Council region (GCC) …percent as of November 2011 reflecting the breakneck speed of growth.

**No war- economic realities, political actors, and lessons learned- Mumbai proves**

**Chu and King,** Times Staff writers, 200**8**

[Henry and Laura, December 6, "India, Pakistan keep lid on tensions," <http://articles.latimes.com/2008/dec/06/world/fg-indiapakistan6>, accessed 10-13-10, ADS]

Hostility between India and Pakistan is at its worst in years, … to be the same script [as 2001-02], they'll be mistaken."

## Protectionism inevitable

**Stelzer, Hudson Institute senior fellow, 3-24-12**

(Ian, “A World Headed for De-Globalization?”, <http://www.weeklystandard.com/blogs/world-headed-de-globalization_634384.html?page=2>, DOA: 3-26-12, ldg)

We may be entering an era of creeping de-globalization. … the environment rather than distorting trade.

## No global terrorism threat

**Gerges, London School of Economics IR professor, 1-4-12**

(Fawaz, “Debunking the Terrorism Narrative The Rise and Fall of Al-Qaeda” <http://www.commondreams.org/view/2012/01/04-6>, DOA: 3-5-12, ldg)

The popular uprisings in Tunisia, Egypt, Libya, Syria, Yemen and Bahrain …not only die, but, finally, be allowed to die.