**Contention One is Inherency**

**US security assistance is used against the protesters in Yemen**

**Zunes 11**

Stephen Zunes Professor of Politics and Chair of Mid-Eastern Studies at the University of San Francisco, Yemen on the Edge, 5/17/11 <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/stephen-zunes/yemen-on-the-edge_b_861759.html>

Despite ….. of the people.

Despite all the money and rhetoric, the US and the international community don’t consider Yemen a priority which is allowing violence against protesters to continue

Lynch 9/19

Posted By [Marc Lynch](http://lynch.foreignpolicy.com/blog/2202) is associate professor of political science and international affairs at George Washington University.  Monday, September 19, 2011 - 11:21 AM [The costs of ignoring Yemen](http://lynch.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/09/19/the_costs_of_ignoring_yemen) <http://lynch.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/09/19/the_costs_of_ignoring_yemen>

It has been …. that neglect in blood.

**Contention Two is Fear**

**The status quo is scared of the possibilities presented by the revolutions in the Middle East-this leads us to prop up corrupt and brutal regimes as part of a racist decision calculus in the name of stability**

**Yezza ‘11**

*Ceasefire's editor-in-chief, Hich Yezza* Editorial Real Arab democracy Vs mythical “regional stability” Posted on Saturday, February 5, 2011 0:00 - 7 Comments

However, **one of …. expense must end now.**

**The fear of US involvement in the Middle East is counterproductive and entrenches Orientalism**

**Sadiki ‘11**

Larbi Sadiki, i*s a Senior Lecturer in Middle East Politics at the University of Exeter, and author of Arab Democratization: Elections without Democracy (Oxford University Press, 2009) and The Search for Arab Democracy: Discourses and Counter-Discourses (Columbia University Press, 2004).*The mathematics of the Arab Spring, Last Modified: 06 Jun 2011 16:33

Two fundamental ….. **an incapacity to speak back.**

**The impact is mass violence and genocide**

**Munjid, 11** (3/27, Achmad, president of the Nahdlatul Ulama community in North America, “Overcoming Islamophobia in the United States,” <http://www.thejakartapost.com/news/2011/03/27/overcoming-islamophobia-united-states.html>)

Remember, as institutionalized ….. the consequences are.

**Trying to “stabilize” the Middle East is counterproductive-by trying to prevent it we only ensure more violent outbreaks in the future**

**Taleb and Blyth 2011**

NASSIM NICHOLAS TALEB is Distinguished Professor of Risk Engineering at New York University's Polytechnic Institute and the author of The Black Swan: The Impact of the Highly Improbable.MARK BLYTH is Professor of International Political Economy at Brown University.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| *The Black Swan of Cairo: How Suppressing Volatility Makes the World Less Predictable and More Dangerous* May/June 2011, Foreign Affairs |  |

Both the recent financial crisis ….**complex systems.**

**We must embrace instability-allowing for instability to occur regularly results in less volatility**

**Taleb and Blyth ‘11**

NASSIM NICHOLAS TALEB is Distinguished Professor of Risk Engineering at New York University's Polytechnic Institute and the author of The Black Swan: The Impact of the Highly Improbable. MARK BLYTH is Professor of International Political Economy at Brown University.

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| *The Black Swan of Cairo: How Suppressing Volatility Makes the World Less Predictable and More Dangerous* May/June 2011, Foreign Affairs |  |

**Variation is information… peace alone.**

**The politics of fear that dominate US narrative about the Middle East is not rational and drives people to make irrational decisions**

**Sparks ‘03**

Chris Sparks *London Metropolitan University* Liberalism, Terrorism and the Politics

of Fear P O L I T I C S : 2 0 0 3 V O L 2 3 ( 3 ) , 2 0 0 – 2 0 6

The current **fearfulness** …. signiﬁcant electoral gains.

**Contention Three is Security**

**Security dominates the US agenda in Yemen-literally every shortcoming of US policy is caused by its security focus**

**Phillips ‘11**

Phillips, Sarah. (is a lecturer at the Centre for International Security studies at the University

of Sydney) *Yemen and the Politics of Permanent Crisis*. London: International Institute fo

Strategic Studies (IISS), 2011. Print.

Like the Pakistani leadership, …. there’s no question about it.’

**Security is the universal benchmark to which all other objectives are compared**

**Boucek 2010**

[Dr. Christopher, Associate, Middle East Program Carnegie Endowment for International Peace Written Testimony U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Foreign Affairs February 3, 2010 YEMEN ON THE BRINK: IMPLICATIONS FOR U.S. POLICY, http://www.carnegieendowment.org/files/0203\_transcript\_boucek\_testimony.pdf]

**It is essential …. to improving domestic security.**

**The political enframing of counterterrorism as natural and inevitable provides the justification for the violence of the international arena**

**Burke,** Senior Lecturer in Politics and IR, University of New South Wales, **2007** Anthony, Theory & Event, 10.2

My argument here, …. **dysfunctional or chaotic.**

**The drive for ontological certainty closes off the ability to contest our truth claims -- guarantees infinite violence**

**Burke,** Senior Lecturer in Politics and IR, University of New South Wales, **2007** Anthony, Theory & Event, 10.2

**I see** such **a ….** **it permeates being.**

The ethic of the status quo is based on a technology of domination – the certainty of their impact claims is not only a façade but also an attempt to prevent examination of foundational truth claims – the negative arguments will sound persuasive but they are simply a rhetorical ploy meant to stifle dissent which makes violence inevitable

**Burke,** Senior Lecturer in Politics and IR, University of New South Wales, **2007** Anthony, Theory & Event, 10.2

The epistemology of ….  **continue to be made.**

Securitization is based on a violent hatred of otherness and unpredictability, leading to a nihilism that kills value to life

James Der Derian, “The value of security: Hobbes, Marx, Nietzsche, and Baudrillard,” The Political Subject of Violence, 1993, pp. 102-105

The desire for …all that makes life worthwhile.

**Thus the plan:**

**The United States federal government should transfer all security and military assistance funds for Yemen to democracy assistance funding for all opposition and civil society groups in Yemen.**

## Contention Four is Solvency

**The US must reorient its policy toward Yemen by cutting its security assistance**

**Al-Tamimi ‘11**

By [Aymenn Jawad Al-Tamimi](http://www.americanthinker.com/aymenn_jawad_al-tamimi/) is a student at Brasenose College, Oxford University, and an intern at the Middle East Forum. February 11, 2011 What to do about Yemen? <http://www.americanthinker.com/2011/02/what_to_do_about_yemen.html>

Currently, **the main … end aid to his government** and allow it to fall at the hands of the current wave of protests in Yemen.

**Critical theorizing alone fails, only in combination with pragmatic policy can it be successful.**

Ole **Waever**,senior researcher for Peace and Conflcit Reaserch, 19**96**, On security, ed Ronie D. Lipschutz, pg. 56-7 http://www.ciaonet.org/book/lipschutz/lipschutz13.html. [Bhattacharjee]

An agenda of …. value to be maximized.

**There is a statistically proven trade-off between security assistance and democracy assistance**

**Finkel et al ‘08**

Steven E. Finkel, University of Pittsburgh and Hertie School of Governance (Berlin) Aníbal Pérez-Liñán, University of Pittsburgh Mitchell A. Seligson, Vanderbilt University C. Neal Tate, Vanderbilt University

Deepening Our Understanding of the Effects of US Foreign Assistance on Democracy Building:  Final Report   January 28, 2008 <http://www.pitt.edu/~politics/democracy/FINAL_REPORT%20v18b.pdf>

**Democracy assistance, ….** countries where their effects are more limited

**The unwillingness of the US to engage with the opposition is the epitome of US foreign policy flaws**

**Keyrouz ‘11**

By Wissam Keyrouz (AFP) – Oct 24, 2011

Yemen president Saleh 'likely to fight, not quit'

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5gvBPg9Oa3Rb1pJ3AwhbJxAyWP3sg?docId=CNG.f9bfe6d606c6d94946d204ed98d11922.1a1>

Ibrahim **Sharqieh, ….** in the current unrest.

**Democracy assistance is not an imposition, it is a form of cooperation**

**Van Hüllen 9,** Vera. {is research associate at the Center for European Integration at the Otto-Suhr Institute of Political Science of the Freie Universität Berlin. She is currently working on her dissertation covering the European Union’s democracy promotion efforts in the Mediterranean. "EU Democracy Promotion in the Mediterranean." Kolleg-Forschergruppe, BERLIN. Web. Nov. 2009. <http://www.polsoz.fu-berlin.de/en/v/transformeurope/publications/working\_paper/WP\_09\_November\_van-Huellen.pdf>.}

**The implementation ….** **offer useful insights**.

**The problem with democracy assistance is not that we are overcommitted to “liberal values”, but that we are not actually committed to them.**

**Youngs ‘11**

Richard Youngs is director general of FRIDE. He is also assistant professor at the University of Warwick in the UK January 2011 the maladies of liberal democracy promotion

**Current international ….**desired ‘democratisation of democracy’.