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From a reading of the somewhat scant English-language medical literature on RU-486 , the French abortion pill emerges as one of the creepiest concoctions around .

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By contrast , surgical abortion is 99 % effective .

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Abortion via the pill is far more of an ordeal than conventional surgical abortion .

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It is time-consuming ( the abortion part alone lasts three days , and the clinical part comprises a week 's worth of visits ) , bloody ( one woman in a Swedish trial required a transfusion , although for most it resembles a menstrual period , with bleeding lasting an average of 10 days ) , and painful ( many women require analgesic shots to ease them through ) .

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Nausea and vomiting are other common side effects .

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Timing is of the essence with RU-486 .

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It is most effective taken about a week after a woman misses her menstrual period up through the seventh week of pregnancy , when it is markedly less effective .

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That is typically about a three-week window .

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So far , all the studies have concluded that RU-486 is " safe . "

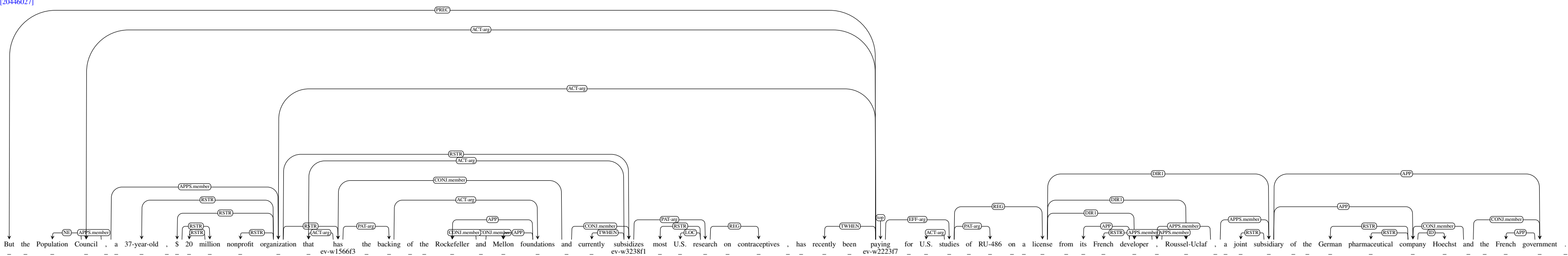
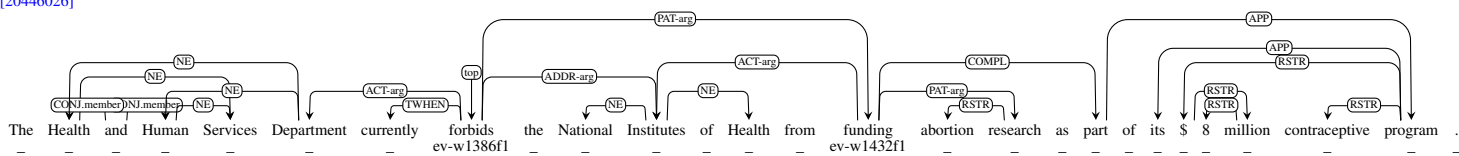
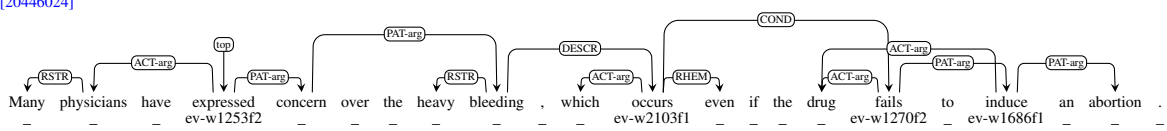
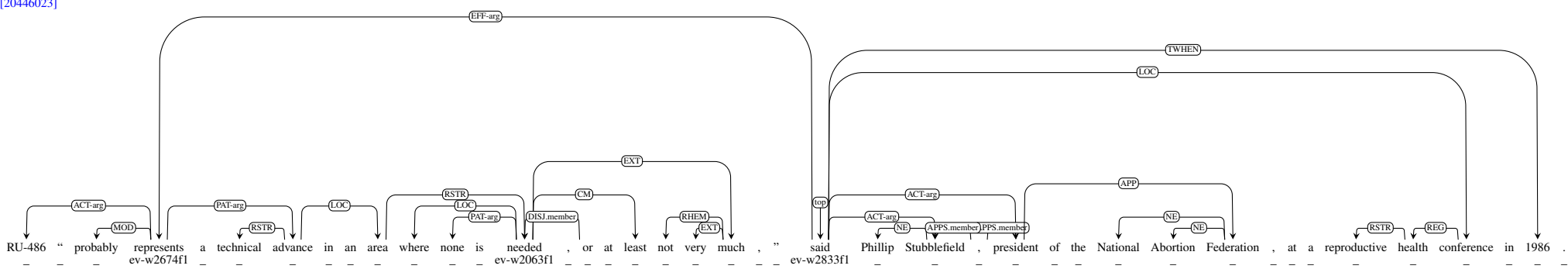
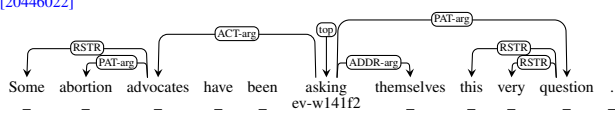
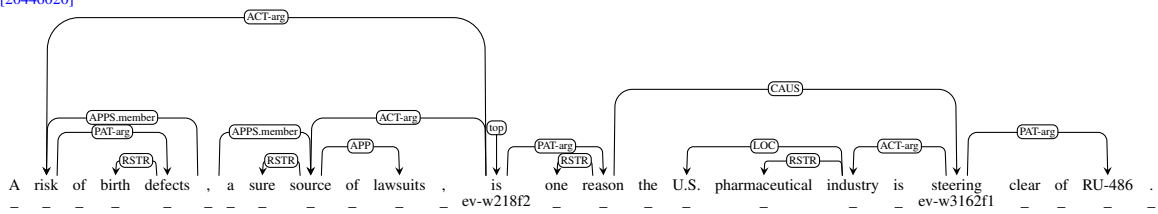
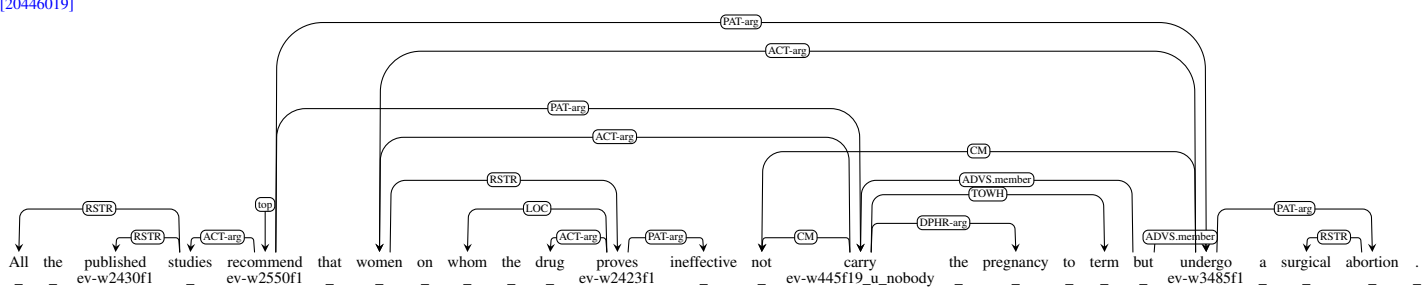
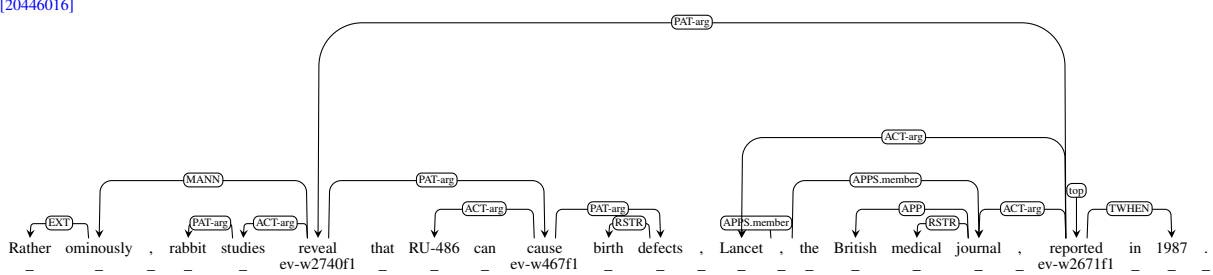
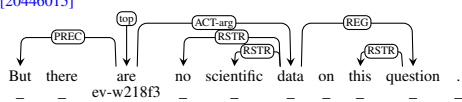
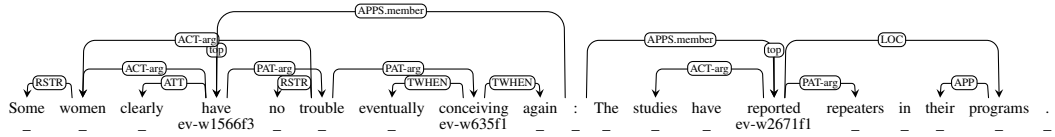
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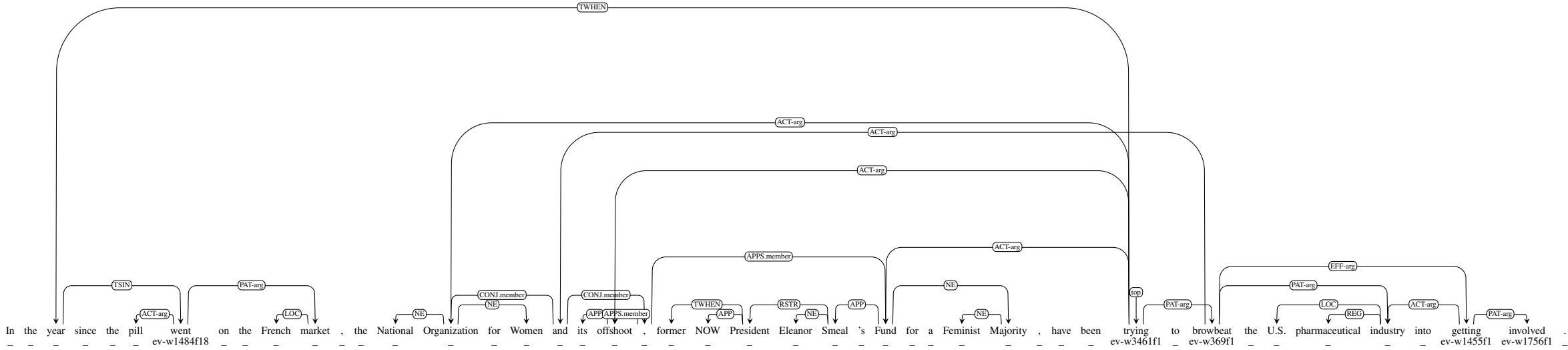
No one has researched the long-term effects of RU-486 on a woman 's health or fertility .

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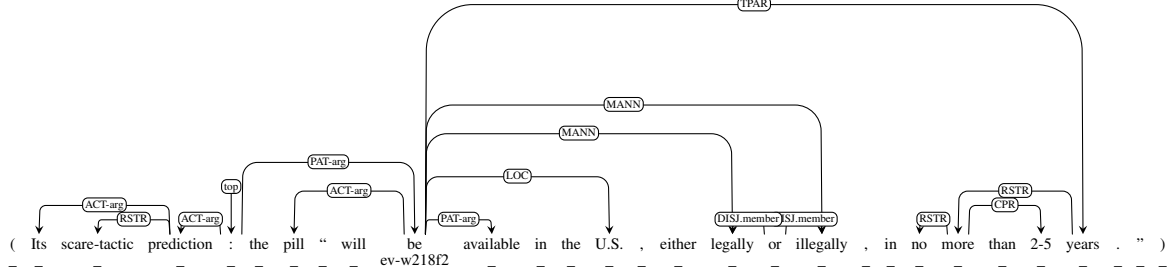
The drug seems to suppress ovulation for three to seven months after it is taken

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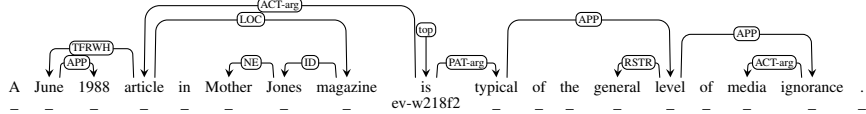




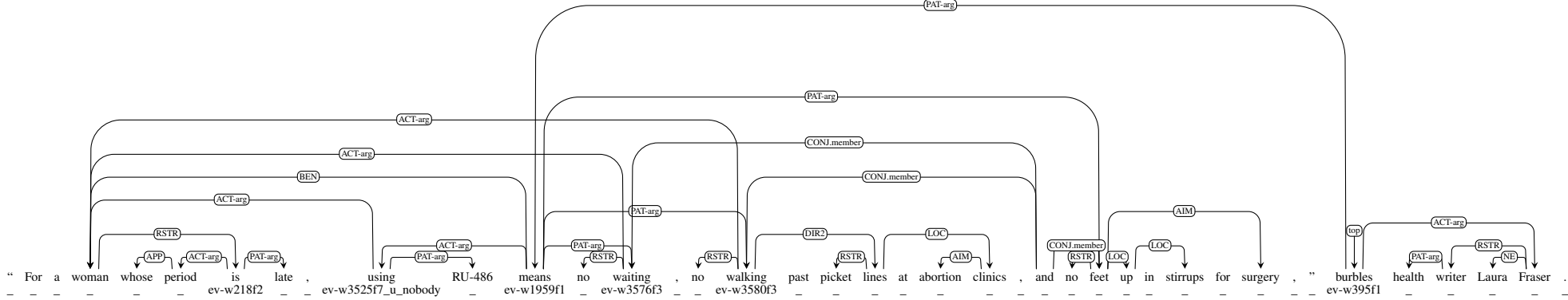
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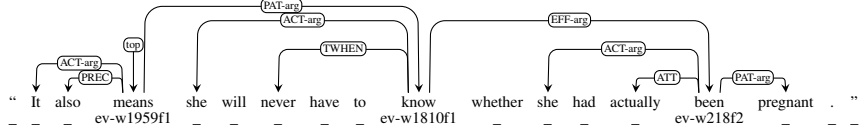
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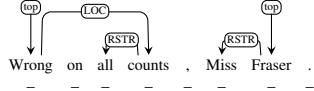
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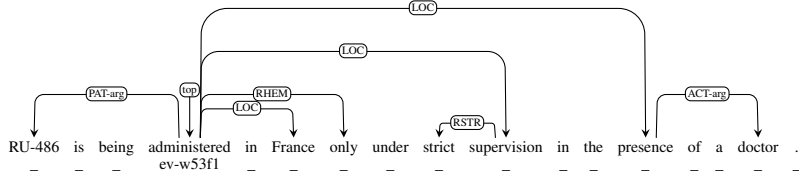
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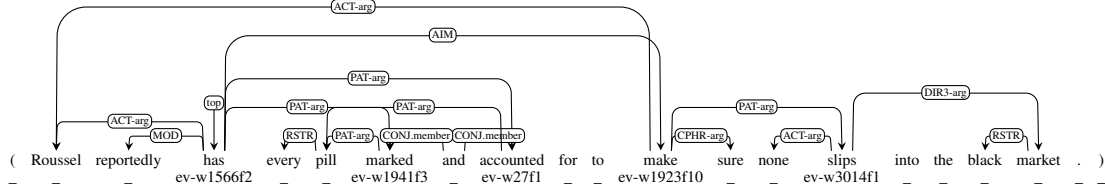
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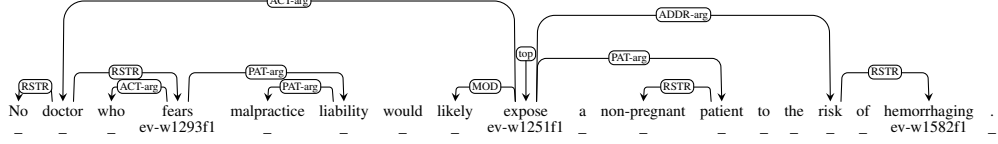
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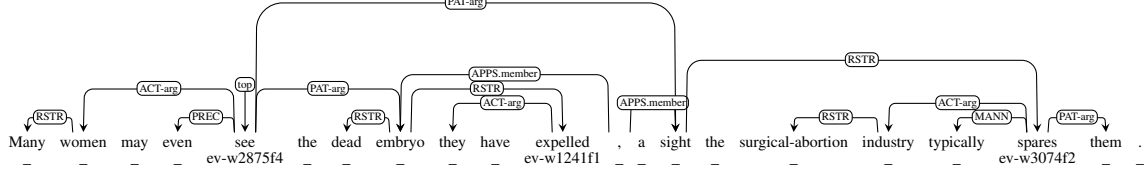
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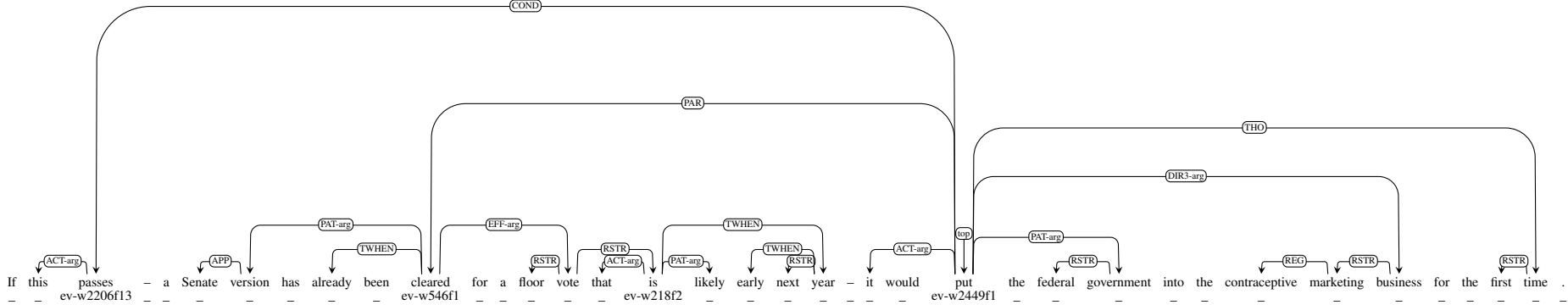
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