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#### The Aff’s failure to advance a defense of the federal government substantially increasing its economic engagement toward Cuba, Mexico, or Venezuela undermines debate’s transformative and intellectual potential

#### Resolved requires a policy

**Louisiana House** 3-8-2005, <http://house.louisiana.gov/house-glossary.htm>

Resolution A legislative instrument that generally is used for making declarations, stating policies, and making decisions where some other form is not required. A bill includes the constitutionally required enacting clause; a resolution uses the term "resolved". Not subject to a time limit for introduction nor to governor's veto. ( Const. Art. III, §17(B) and House Rules 8.11 , 13.1 , 6.8 , and 7.4)

#### Federal government is the national government

Black’s Law 4 (Dictionary, 8th Edition, June 1, 2004, pg.716.)

Federal government. 1. A national government that exercises some degree of control over smaller political units that have surrendered some degree of power in exchange for the right to participate in national politics matters – Also termed (in federal states) central government. 2. the U.S. government – Also termed national government. [Cases: United States -1 C.J.S. United States - - 2-3]

#### “Its” refers to the United States Federal Government and is possessive

Updegrave 91 (W.C., “Explanation of ZIP Code Address Purpose”, 8-19, <http://www.supremelaw.org/ref/zipcode/updegrav.htm>)

More specifically, looking at the map on page 11 of the National ZIP Code

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Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, making the explanatory statement literally correct.

#### “Economic engagement” is limited to expanding economic ties

**Celik 11** (Arda Can Çelik, graduate M.A in political science and international relations at Uppsala University Sweden, 2011, “Economic sanctions and engagement policies,” http://www.grin.com/en/e-book/175204/economic-sanctions-and-engagement-policies)

Introduction¶ Economic engagement policies are strategic integration behaviour which involves with the target state

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position of one state affects the position of others in the same direction.

#### A limited topic of discussion that provides for equitable ground is key to productive inculcation of decision-making and advocacy skills in every and all facets of life---even if their position is contestable that’s distinct from it being valuably debatable---this still provides room for flexibility, creativity, and innovation

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Debate is a means of settling differences, so there must be a difference of

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particular point of difference, which will be outlined in the following discussion.

#### That’s key to social improvements in every and all facets of life

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If we assume it to be possible without recourse to violence to reach agreement on

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in our intelligent self-interest to reach these decisions through reasoned debate.

#### Only portable skill---means our framework turns case

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After several days of intense debate, first the United States House of Representatives and

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customer for out product, or a vote for our favored political candidate.¶

#### Switch-side is key to self-reflexivity– that forces critical thinking and better advocacy of one’s positions

Keller et al 1 – Asst. professor School of Social Service Administration U. of Chicago (Thomas E., James K., and Tracly K., Asst. professor School of Social Service Administration U. of Chicago, professor of Social Work, and doctoral student School of Social Work, “Student debates in policy courses: promoting policy practice skills and knowledge through active learning,” Journal of Social Work Education, Spr/Summer 2001, EBSCOhost)

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yield a reevaluation and reconstruction of knowledge and beliefs pertaining to the issue.

#### Effective deliberation is only possible in a switch-side debate format where debaters divorce themselves from ideology---that’s key to self-reflexivity which is vital to preventing mass violence and genocide

Patricia Roberts-Miller 3 is Associate Professor of Rhetoric at the University of Texas "Fighting Without Hatred:Hannah Ar endt ' s Agonistic Rhetoric" JAC 22.2 2003

Totalitarianism and the Competitive Space of Agonism

Arendt is probably most famous for her analysis of totalitarianism (especially her The Origins

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not relativist, adversarial but not violent, independent but not expressivist rhetoric.

#### Their framework’s exclusive, moralizing presupposition that they have to be outside of the state prevents self-reflexivity and results in the total breakdown of dialogue and engagement – thinking about costs and benefits for societies as a whole is important because we are less likely to be violent towards others which is the only way to prevent totalitarian thought and atrocities

Keenan, 1998 (Alan, Ph.D., Member of the Committee on Degrees in Social Studies at Harvard University, Theory and Event, Vol. 2 No. 1, http://muse.jhu.edu.proxy2.cl.msu.edu/journals/theory\_and\_event/v002/2.1keenan.html)

The anti-political nature of guilt, in turn, helps explain the political

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their belief in the futility, aggressivity, and dreariness of political action.

#### Trying to make debate a site for social change destroys coalitions

Atchison and Panetta 9 – \*Director of Debate at Trinity University and \*\*Director of Debate at the University of Georgia (Jarrod, and Edward, “Intercollegiate Debate and Speech Communication: Issues for the Future,” The Sage Handbook of Rhetorical Studies, Lunsford, Andrea, ed., 2009, p. 317-334)

The final problem with an individual debate round focus is the role of competition.

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long community problems requires a tremendous effort by a great number of people.

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#### resistance/empowerment via the ballot can only instill an adaptive politics of being and effaces the institutional constraints that reproduce structural violence

Brown 95—prof at UC Berkely (Wendy, States of Injury, 21-3)

For some, fueled by opprobrium toward regulatory norms or other mo- dalities of

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so forms an important element of legitimacy for the antidemocratic dimensions of liberalism.

#### The politics of identity is reactionary which ultimately creates an attachment to the status of oppression---the affirmative’s emphasis on anti-blackness and exclusion from Whiteness perversely recreate those as valorized ideals

Bhambra 10—U Warwick—AND—Victoria Margree—School of Humanities, U Brighton (Identity Politics and the Need for a ‘Tomorrow’, http://www.academia.edu/471824/Identity\_Politics\_and\_the\_Need\_for\_a\_Tomorrow\_)

2 The Reification of Identity We wish to turn now to a related problem within

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to the identity being foreclosed through its attention to past-based grievances.

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#### No impact – their root cause claims are false

Larrivee 10— PF ECONOMICS AT MOUNT ST MARY’S UNIVERSITY – MASTERS FROM THE HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL AND PHD IN ECONOMICS FROM WISCONSIN, 10 [JOHN, A FRAMEWORK FOR THE MORAL ANALYSIS OF MARKETS, 10/1, <http://www.teacheconomicfreedom.org/files/larrivee-paper-1.pdf>]

The Second Focal Point: Moral, Social, and Cultural Issues of Capitalism

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wasn’t the cause of the problems in the first place, at least not

#### Disidentification fails to produce a productive mode of politics

Armstrong 8 (Aurelia, “Beyond Resistance: a Response to ŽiŽek’s critique

of foucault’s subject of freedom” http://www.parrhesiajournal.org/parrhesia05/parrhesia05\_armstrong.pdf)

this characterization of foucauldian freedom suggests that the mere recognition of links between certain modes

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, would one be bothered to challenge an identity only ironically inhabited?40

#### The basis for their claims is flawed – we should emphasize policymaking in Latin America – reforming the system solves

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(“An Updated Assessment of the Trade and Poverty Nexus in Latin America,” p. 375-377)//BB

Despite the move towards more open trade regimes, Latin American economies are still ¶

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to overstate the importance of strengthening the capacity of policymaking in this area.