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#### CIR will pass now but it will be tough

Nowicki, 10-30 -- Arizona Republic's national political reporter

[Dan, and Erin Kelly, "Fleeting Hopes for Immigration Reform," AZ Central, 10-30-13, www.azcentral.com/news/politics/articles/20131029fleeting-hopes-immigration-reform.html?nclick\_check=1, accessed 10-31-13, mss]

However, reform backers point to encouraging signs in addition to the intense push by

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is not like renaming a post office. It’s going to be tough.”

#### It’s now or never – forcing “must-pass” legislation like the aff destroys CIR

Scher 10/16 [Bill, Online Campaign Manager at Campaign for America's Future, 2013, “The Time To Push Immigration Reform Is Now,” http://ourfuture.org/20131016/the-time-to-push-immigration-reform-is-now]

The window is limited. New rounds of deadlines to keep the government open come

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than confront. It’d be way too dicey to aim for next year.

**Plan costs massive amounts of capital**

**LeoGrande, 12**

William M. LeoGrande School of Public Affairs American University, Professor of Government and a specialist in Latin American politics and U.S. foreign policy toward Latin America, Professor LeoGrande has been a frequent adviser to government and private sector agencies, 12/18/12, http://www.american.edu/clals/upload/LeoGrande-Fresh-Start.pdf

The Republicans' sweeping victory in the 2010 mid-term elections put the House back

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executive authority to selectively loosen the embargo for both commerce and travel.42

#### **Reform’s key to all aspects of US hegemony**

Nye 12. [Joseph S., a former US assistant secretary of defense and chairman of the US National Intelligence Council, is University Professor at Harvard University. “Immigration and American Power,” December 10, Project Syndicate, http://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/obama-needs-immigration-reform-to-maintain-america-s-strength-by-joseph-s--nye]

CAMBRIDGE – The United States is a nation of immigrants. Except for a small

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long way toward fulfilling his promise to maintain the strength of the US.

#### US primacy prevents global conflict – diminishing power creates a vacuum that causes transition wars in multiple places

Brooks et al 13 [Stephen G. Brooks is Associate Professor of Government at Dartmouth College.G. John Ikenberry is the Albert G. Milbank Professor of Politics and International Affairs at Princeton University in the Department of Politics and the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs. He is also a Global Eminence Scholar at Kyung Hee University.William C. Wohlforth is the Daniel Webster Professor in the Department of Government at Dartmouth College. “Don't Come Home, America: The Case against Retrenchment”, Winter 2013, Vol. 37, No. 3, Pages 7-51,<http://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/abs/10.1162/ISEC_a_00107>, GDI File]

A core premise of deep engagement is that it prevents the emergence of a far

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case would generate intensely competitive behavior, possibly including regional great power war).

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#### Text: The United States federal government should gradually normalize its trade relations with the Republic of Cuba.

#### Removing the embargo gradually solves – immediate removal causes instability

Zimmerman 10 – CHELSEA A. ZIMMERMAN, Georgetown Law, ’10, “Rethinking The Cuban Trade Embargo: An Opportune Time To Mend a Broken Policy,” <http://www.thepresidency.org/storage/documents/Fellows2010/Zimmerman.pdf>, ACC. 6-13-2013)

Elimination of the trade embargo immediately is not a feasible solution, as such a

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pork and fish would result (U.S. International Trade Commission).

#### Cuban instability collapse causes terrorism and Latin American instability

Gorrell ‘5 (Tim, Lieutenant Colonel, “CUBA: THE NEXT UNANTICIPATED ANTICIPATED STRATEGIC CRISIS?” 3/18/5, <http://www.dtic.mil/cgi-bin/GetTRDoc?AD=ADA433074>)

Regardless of the succession, under the current U.S. policy, Cuba’s

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in an effort to facilitate a manageable transition to post-Castro Cuba?

**Extinction**

Anders **Sandberg 8**, is a James Martin Research Fellow at the Future of Humanity Institute at Oxford University; Jason G. Matheny, PhD candidate in Health Policy and Management at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and special consultant to the Center for Biosecurity at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center; Milan M. Ćirković, senior research associate at the Astronomical Observatory of Belgrade and assistant professor of physics at the University of Novi Sad in Serbia and Montenegro, 9/8/8, “How can we reduce the risk of human extinction?,” Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists,<http://www.thebulletin.org/web-edition/features/how-can-we-reduce-the-risk-of-human-extinction>

The risks from anthropogenic hazards appear at present larger than those from natural ones.

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may increase as biotechnologies continue to improve at a rate rivaling Moore's Law.

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**A. Discourses of danger reproduces an American identity – that posits the US as a the defender of global freedom and liberty**

**Campbell, 98**- Professor of International Politics University of Newcastle (David, Writing Security: United States Foreign Policy and the Politics of Identity)

The crisis of representation the United States faces is unique only in the particularities of

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the idea that foreign policy/Foreign Policy is constitutive of political identity.

**B. That makes extinction inevitable**

**Willson, 02**- Ph.D New College San Fransisco, Humanities, JD, American University (Brian, “Armageddon or Quantum Leap? U.S. Imperialism and Human Consciousness from an Evolutionary Perspective”, [**http://www.brianwillson.com/quantum.html**](http://www.brianwillson.com/quantum.html))

Awaiting the impending U.S. government's concocted "preventive" war against Iraq

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everything that contributes to their support" (General John Sullivan, 1779).

In a prominent history book published in 1906 (The History of the United States

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cyclical, indicate that we are dangerously near the end of our evolutionary branch

**C. Alternative text – reject the affirmative to desecuritize the Political. Vote negative to challenge securitization itself in favor of a political ethic that approaches problems in non-security terms and exposes the limits of their methodology.**

**D. Framework – security is a communicative action that requires discursive justification – there is an ethical responsibility to justify securitization in political discussion. The role of the ballot is to interrogate methodologies – to weigh their case the Aff has to legitimize securitization first**

**Williams, 03** [Michael – IR Prof @ University of Ottawa, “Words, Images, Enemies: Securitization and International Politics,” International Studies Quarterly, Vol. 47, No. 4 (Dec., 2003), pp. 511-53, Published by: Blackwell Publishing on behalf of The International Studies Association, JSTOR] <http://www.jstor.org/stable/3693634>

A second major criticism of the Copenhagen School concerns the ethics of securitization. Simply

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questioning the policies, or by disputing the threat, or both.36

### Framing

#### **Simulating images of death and violence anesthetizes us to real death and produces a culture of structural violence that makes infinite destruction appear desirable- vote neg to embrace a pedagogy of debate outside of violent spectacles.**

Giroux ‘12

Henry A Giroux, Frequent author on pedagogy in the public sphere, Truthout, “Youth in Revolt: The Plague of State-Sponsored Violence,” March 14, 2012, <http://truth-out.org/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=7249:youth-in-revolt-the-plague-of-statesponsored-violence>

One consequence is that "the sheer numbers and monotony of images may have a

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sports, entertainment, news media, and other outlets for seeking pleasure.

### Advantage 1

#### \*The risk of nuclear terrorism is exceedingly low – their authors are all trumpeting inflated threats.

Mueller ‘11

John Mueller is Professor of Political Science at Ohio State University. He is the author of Atomic Obsession. “The truth about al Qaeda”. August 5, 2011. CNN’s Global Public Square. http://globalpublicsquare.blogs.cnn.com/2011/08/05/the-truth-about-al-qaeda/

The chief lesson of 9/11 should have been that small bands of terrorists

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It seems wildly unlikely that al Qaeda is remotely ready to go nuclear.

#### \*Even if each obstacle can be surmount – the overwhelming amount of obstacles make nuclear terrorism is unlikely.

Mueller in ‘10

John Mueller, professor of political science at Ohio State University. “Calming Our Nuclear Jitters”. Issues in Science and Technology. 1/1/2010. Vol.26,Iss.2;p.58-66. Academic Search Premiere.

Those who warn about the likelihood of a terrorist bomb contend that a terrorist group

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to pull off the deed drop to one in well over three billion.

#### No nuke terror- no motivation, access, US counter-measures, and it’s exaggerated

Krepon ‘9

Michael Krepon is Co-Founder of the Henry L. Stimson Center, a Diplomat Scholar at the University of Virginia, The Mushroom Cloud That Wasn't, Foreign Affairs, May/Jun 2009, ProQuest)

And yet, not a single death has occurred as a result of nuclear terrorism

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is another explanation as well: the threat itself has been greatly exaggerated.

#### 3. It will take decades to repair U.S. soft power

**Freeman, 06** (Chas W., Ambassador (USFS, Ret.), “Why Not Let Them Hate Us, as Long as They Fear Us?” 11-4-2006, http://www.publicdiplomacy.org/71.htm)

To rediscover public diplomacy and to practice it successfully, in other words, we

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post-9/11 psychoses took a mere five years to destroy.

#### Soft power is irrelevant – our position in the world is the same whether people hate us or not

Kagan, 06 ([Robert](http://www.carnegieendowment.org/experts/index.cfm?fa=expert_view&expert_id=16&prog=zgp&proj=zusr), senior fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, The Washington Post, 1/15, http://www.carnegieendowment.org/publications/index.cfm?fa=view&id=17894&prog=zgp&proj=zusr)

The striking thing about the present international situation is the degree to which America remains

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it was in the 1990s: Who will be invited to join NATO?

### Advantage 2

#### Lifting the embargo destroys Cuban ag

Gonzalez 3 – Assistant Professor at Seattle University School of Law (Carmen, “SEASONS OF RESISTANCE: SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY IN CUBA”, Summer of 2003, book p. 729-33)

Notwithstanding these problems, the greatest challenge to the agricultural development strategy adopted by the

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to the retention of an agricultural development model borne of crisis and isolation.

#### Cuban ag is an international model – solves environmental degradation and food scarcity

Peters 10 – LL.M. expected 2011, University of Arkansas School of Law, Graduate Program in Agricultural and Food Law; J.D. 2010, University of Oregon School of Law (Kathryn, “Creating a Sustainable Urban Agriculture Revolution” J. ENVTL. LAW AND LITIGATION [Vol. 25, 203, http://law.uoregon.edu/org/jell/docs/251/peters.pdf)

While urban agriculture was a response to a dramatic crisis in ¶ Cuba’s history,

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new economy for many Cubans without negatively ¶ impacting the environment or society.

#### Environmental collapse risks extinction

Ehrlich & Ehrlich 13 – Professor of Biology & Senior Research Scientist in Biology @ Stanford University (Paul R. Ehrlich (President of the Center for Conservation Biology @ Stanford University) & Anne H. Ehrlich, “Can a collapse of global civilization be avoided?,” Proceedings of the Royal Society Biological Sciences, Proc. R. Soc. B 2013 280, published online 9 January 2013)//HA

¶ Virtually every past civilization has eventually undergone collapse, a loss of socio-

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of the vast majority of people would disappear. pg. 1-2

#### Conflicts Won’t escalate

**Salehyan, 07** – Assistant Professor of Political Science at University of Northern Texas (Idean, “The New Myth About Climate Change”, Foreign Policy, August 2007, May 29th 2010, <http://www.foreignpolicy.com/story/cms.php?story_id=3922>, KONTOPOULOS)

Dire scenarios like these may sound convincing, but they are misleading. Even worse

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Paris are at least as culpable for Darfur as the regime in Khartoum.

#### Resource abundance not shortage causes conflict

**Dupont, 08** – Michael Hintze Professor of International Security and Director of the Centre for International Security Studies @ U of Sydney (Alan, June 2008, Survival, Vol. 50, Iss. 3, “The Strategic Implications of Climate Change”, p. 43)

Many of these projections are highly speculative or simply misleading, betraying the authors’ lack

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would lead either to reconsider their long-standing aversion to nuclear weapons.

**Higher C02 levels are key to preventing the next ice age**

**Watts 12**, Increased C02 emissions will delay next ice age, January 8 [Meteorologist, Anthony], p . [http://wattsupwiththat.com/2012/01/08/increased – co2 – emissions – will – delay – next – ice – age/](http://wattsupwiththat.com/2012/01/08/increased-co2-emissions-will-delay-next-ice-age/)

According to new research to be published in Nature Geoscience (embargoed until 1800 GMT

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‘the drift into new ice – age conditions would be inevitable.’

**The alternative is global extinction**

**Whitehouse 12**, The Observatory, Will the Ice Return?, January 11, [scientist with a Ph.D., in Astrophysics, Victoria University of Manchester and former Science correspondent for the BBC; David], p. [http://thegwpf.org/the – observatory/4736 – will – the – ice – return.html](http://thegwpf.org/the-observatory/4736-will-the-ice-return.html)

Without doubt, we live in an interglacial period – a warm time between ice

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look to a sustained greenhouse effect to maintain the present advantageous world climate.

#### Empirically denied and alternate causality – hundreds of thousands of species die annually

Paltrowitz, 01 (JD Brooklyn Journal of I-Law, 2001 (A Greening of the World Trade Organisation”)

However, the panel did not take into account the practical reality that negotiations are

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impose few constraints on a contracting party's implementation of domestic environmental policies." n108

#### Species extinction won't cause human extinction – humans and the environment are adaptable

Doremus, 2K (Holly, Professor of Law at UC Davis Washington & Lee Law Review, Winter 57 Wash & Lee L. Rev. 11, lexis)

In recent years, this discourse frequently has taken the form of the ecological horror

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that a high proportion of species can be lost without precipitating a collapse.

#### Collapse is common – won’t spillover

#### New species fill the void

**Kerr, 94** (Richard, Science 28)

In the immediate aftermath of an extinction, some taxa – groups of animals such as species or genera – flourish, then gradually fade. Others that had apparently vanished can reappear, Lazarus-like. In the turmoil, new groups may gain ascendancy, filling ecological niches left empty by the extinction and displacing other survivors to create a new ecological order (See box on p.29).

#### Biodiversity is not key to ecosystems

**Washington Post, 97** [8-29 lexis]

Ecologists have long maintained that diversity is one of nature's greatest strengths, but new

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high biodiversity as a controller of ecosystem function and insurance against ecological collapse."