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#### Obama’s PC is vital to secure relief from sanctions – keeps Iran at the table to secure a deal

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#### Global nuclear war in a month if talks fail – US sanctions will wreck diplomacy

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#### A. Interpretation – “economic engagement” means the aff must be an exclusively economic action – it cannot encompass broader forms of engagement

Jakstaite, 10 - Doctoral Candidate Vytautas Magnus University Faculty of Political Sciences and Diplomacy (Lithuania) (Gerda, “CONTAINMENT AND ENGAGEMENT AS MIDDLE-RANGE THEORIES” BALTIC JOURNAL OF LAW & POLITICS VOLUME 3, NUMBER 2 (2010), DOI: 10.2478/v10076-010-0015-7)

#### the plan and only the plan is the focal point of topicality. On face, the plan must exclusively increase economic engagement. Only this interpretation preserves topic education.

Resnick 1 – Dr. Evan Resnick, Ph.D. in Political Science from Columbia University, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Yeshiva University, “Defining Engagement”, Journal of International Affairs, Spring, 54(2), Ebsco

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Haass and O’Sullivan, 2k - \*Vice President and Director of Foreign Policy Studies at the Brookings Institution AND \*\*a Fellow with the Foreign Policy Studies Program at the Brookings Institution (Richard and Meghan, “Terms of Engagement:Alternatives to PunitivePolicies” Survival,, vol. 42, no. 2, Summer 2000, <http://www.brookings.edu/~/media/research/files/articles/2000/6/summer%20haass/2000survival.pdf>

# 4

Increasing economic engagement is an expansion of the global proletarnization of the consumer. This increase can only lead to destruction of the economy and the destruction of value to life

Bernard Stiegler 2004 The Decadence of Industrial Democracies Disbelief and Discredit, Volume 1 Translated by Daniel Ross and Suzanne Arnold pg 63

The alt is to reject the affirmative for the call to expand the economic toxicity of hyperindustrial capitalism to all corners of Latin America

BernardStiegler 2010"For a new Critique of Political Economy" trans.Daniel Ross pg 4-7

# 5

Counterplan Text: The President of the United States of America should establish the creation of a Presidential Bipartisan Commission on Cuba to study current U.S. policy on Cuba. The Commission should recommend that the United States federal government normalize its trade relations with Cuba.

#### The counterplan solves case and doesn’t link to the net benefit – commissions ensure coverage for Obama

Ratliff 13 (William, is a research fellow and curator of Americas Collection at Stanford University's Hoover Institution, specializing in Latin America, China, and U.S. foreign policy, “Cuba’s Tortured Transition”, Defining Ideas: A Hoover Institution Journal, January 30th 2013,http://www.hoover.org/publications/defining-ideas/article/139281, SD)

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Straus and Glassman -12 (Matthew Eric Glassman, Analyst on the Congress, Jacob R. Straus, Analyst on the Congress, Congressional Commissions: Overview, Structure, and Legislative Considerations, February 15, 2012, CRS Reports, http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/misc/R40076.pdf)

# Multilat

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Gvosdev ‘09(Nikolas, a senior editor at The National Interest, is a professor of national-security studies at the U.S. Naval War College, The End of Multilateralism, http://www.nationalinterest.org/Article.aspx?id=21600, 6/12/09,)

#### Multilateralism fails to solve for human rights

Newman et al’6, Edward Newman, a UN Assistant-Secretary- General and John Tirman, Director of the Center for International Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2006. “Multilateralism Under Challenge? Power, International Order, and Structural Change” http://i.unu.edu/unu/u/publication/000/002/308/1129-multilateralismunderchallenge.pdf)

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Newman et al’6,( Edward Newman, of Studies on Conflict and Security in the Peace and Governance Programme of the United Nations University,Tokyo, Japan, Ramesh Thakur, Senior-Vice Rector of the United Nations University, Japan and a UN Assistant-Secretary- General and John Tirman, Director of the Center for International Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2006. “Multilateralism Under Challenge? Power, International Order, and Structural Change” http://i.unu.edu/unu/u/publication/000/002/308/1129-multilateralismunderchallenge.pdf)

#### Multilateralism fails to address environmental challenges

Newman et al’6, Edward Newman, of Studies on Conflict and Security in the Peace and Governance Programme of the United Nations University,Tokyo, Japan, Ramesh Thakur, Senior-Vice Rector of the United Nations University, Japan and a UN Assistant-Secretary- General and John Tirman, Director of the Center for International Studies at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2006. “Multilateralism Under Challenge? Power, International Order, and Structural Change” http://i.unu.edu/unu/u/publication/000/002/308/1129-multilateralismunderchallenge.pdf

#### Multilateralism increases aggression, suspicion, and rivalry between countries

Wesley 11 (Michael Wesley was Executive Director of the Lowy Institute for International Policy from 2009 to 2012. Previously he was Professor of International Relations and Director of the Griffith Asia Institute at Griffith University, 2 June 2011, “The dogma of multilateralism”, <http://www.lowyinterpreter.org/post/2011/06/02/The-dogma-of-multilateralism.aspx> //SD)

#### Multilat allows dictators to run amok – it’s all lip service

Wittman ’11 (George H. Wittmanwas the founding chairman of the National Institute for Public Policy, 4 May 2011, “Unilateralism Is Not a Crime”, <http://spectator.org/archives/2011/05/04/unilateralism-is-not-a-crime> //SD)

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Goss 06 (Ernie Gossis currently the MacAllister Chair and Professor of Economics at Creighton University in Omaha “Darfur: The Failure of Multilateralism”, May 02, 2006)

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Cimbala 10 - Prof. of Political Science at Penn State (Stephen, Nuclear Weapons and Cooperative Security in the 21st Century, p. 117-8)

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#### No Solvency- Food Prices are inevitable due to population growth, No reason to change biofuel policy.

Anderson 12

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#### No Solvency- Cuban Sugar cane has been had serious problems lately and may close its mills.

Havana Times 13

#### No Solvency- Sugar production is down due to outdated factory equipment.

Hanson and Lee 13

U.S.-Cuba Relations¶ Authors: Stephanie Hanson, and [Brianna Lee](http://www.cfr.org/experts/world/brianna-lee/b18026), Senior Production Editor Updated: January 31, 2013 <http://www.cfr.org/cuba/us-cuba-relations/p11113>

#### Turn- High Food prices are good for producers, private investors, and farmers.- They can also be controlled and be made sustainable.

Weijing 12

<http://asia.ifad.org/web/china/blogs/-/blogs/are-high-food-prices-good-or-bad?&> Are high food prices good or bad?¶ POSTED BY WANG WEIJING ON 7/11/12 9:37 AM ¶ THIS ITEM IS VISIBLE BY The World (e.g. Google

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López-Levy, 13 - PhD candidate at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver (Arturo, “Getting Ready for Post-Castro Cuba,” The National Interest, 4/10, <http://nationalinterest.org/commentary/getting-ready-post-castro-cuba-8316>)

#### Lifting the Embargo would pressure Cuba for rapid reforms

Cave, 12 – foreign correspondent for The New York Times, based in Mexico City and has a B.A. from Boston College and an M.S. from Columbia University's Graduate School of Journalism (Damien, “Easing of Restraints in Cuba Renews Debate on U.S. Embargo”, NY Times, 11/19/12, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/11/20/world/americas/changes-in-cuba-create-support-for-easing-embargo.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0)>

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Feinberg 11 - professor of international political economy at UC San Dieg, nonresident senior fellow with the Latin America Initiative at Brookings (Richard E., “Reaching Out: Cuba’s New Economy and the International Response”, November, Brookings, [http://www.brookings.edu/~/media/research/files/papers/2011/11/18%20cuba%20feinberg/1118\_cuba\_feinberg.pdf)](http://www.brookings.edu/~/media/research/files/papers/2011/11/18%20cuba%20feinberg/1118_cuba_feinberg.pdf)//ID)

#### Rapid change risks Cuban civil war

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