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**T – Long Term**

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1. **Interpretation – Economic Engagement must be long term**

**Pollins 3** (Brian M., Associate Professor of Political Science at Ohio State University and a Research Fellow at the Mershon Center, Edward Deering Mansfield, Hum Rosen Professor of Political Science and Co-Director of the Christopher H. Browne Center for International Politics at the University of Pennsylvania, Michigan Studies in International Political Economy, Economic Interdependence and International Conflict: New Perspectives on an Enduring Debate, 2003, http://books.google.com/books?hl=en&lr=&id=L53fR-TusZAC&oi=fnd&pg=PA175&dq=%22economic+engagement%22+%22long+term%22&ots=Ew9tnp8GvC&sig=a0LuxuxsKyh1OvAhS3UjiPvV8B8#v=onepage&q=long%20term&f=false)

The basic causal logic of economic engagement, and the emphasis on domestic politics, can be traced to **Hirschman**.

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The causal chain runs from economic interdependence through domestic political change to foreign policy accommodation.

**Anything else is appeasement**

**Roberts 4** (Liam, BA in the Department of Political Science from Condordia University, Engagement Theory and Target Identity: An Analysis of North Korean Responses to Contemporary Inter-Korean Engagement, 2003, <https://circle.ubc.ca/bitstream/id/56483/ubc_2004-0612.pdf>)

These understandings are problematic.

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**sources pursuing engagement seek to fundamentally change the nature of their adversarial relationship with the target, "securing good will and cooperation on matters of common concern."**

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**T – Engagement Specificity**

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1. **Interpretation: The affirmative must specify what means of engagement they utilize – this is the only way to effectively create engagement based policies**

**Resnick 1** (Evan, Assistant Professor and coordinator of the United States Programme at RSIS, “Defining Engagement,” Journal of International Affairs, 0022197X, Spring2001, Vol. 54, Issue 2, <http://web.ebscohost.com.turing.library.northwestern.edu/ehost/detail?sid=1b56e6b4-ade2-4052-9114-7d107fdbd019%40sessionmgr12&vid=2&hid=24&bdata=JnNpdGU9ZWhvc3QtbGl2ZQ%3d%3d#db=mth&AN=4437301>)

Some scholars have excessively narrowed the definition of engagement by defining it according to the ends sought rather than the means employed.   
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**in order to gauge more accurately the circumstances under which each policy is relatively more or less effective**.(n18)

## China DA

#### A. Relations high – summit proves cooperation over foreign posturing is key

Gross, senior associate at The Pacific Forum, Center for Strategic and International Studies, 6-4

(David Gross, “Creating a New Model for U.S.-China Relations at the Obama-Xi Summit”, http://www.huffingtonpost.com/donald-gross/creating-a-new-model-for-\_b\_3383480.html)

This week's summit meeting between Chinese President Xi Jinping and President Barack Obama offers a historic opportunity to improve U.S.-China

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by pursuing a diplomatic strategy that minimizes conflict, realizes greater mutually beneficial Sino-American cooperation, and significantly expands trade and investment between the two countries.

#### B. US engagement in Latin America crushes relations – causes crowd out

Ellis, professor of national security studies at the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, 12

[R. Evan, May 2012, Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, “The United States, Latin America and China: A ‘Triangular Relationship’?”, http://www.thedialogue.org/PublicationFiles/IAD8661\_China\_Triangular0424v2e-may.pdf, Accessed 7/2/13, ML]

At the political level, US engagement with Latin American ¶ countries has impacted the ability of the PRC to develop ¶ military and other ties in the region.

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Similarly, Bolivia purchased Chinese K-8s after ¶ the United States blocked it from acquiring a comparable ¶ aircraft from the Czech Republic.

#### C. Relations are key to solve a US-China war

Lawrence, Specialist in Asian Affairs, 13

[Susan V. June 14, Congressional Research Service U.S.-China Relations: Policy Issues http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/R41108.pdf RC]

Hanging over the relationship is the larger question of whether, as China grows in economic and ¶ military power, the United States and China can manage their relationship in such a way as to ¶ avoid ….

The ¶ United States charges that cyber intrusions into U.S. government and private networks “appear to ¶ be attributable directly to the Chinese government and military.”

#### D. US China conflict could escalate to nuclear war – improving relations is the only solution

Wittner 11, Professor of History emeritus at SUNY/Albany, 12

[Dr. Lawrence Wittner 11/10/12, Huffington Post http://www.huffingtonpost.com/lawrence-wittner/nuclear-war-china\_b\_1116556.html)]

While nuclear weapons exist, there remains a danger that they will be used

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If the American and Chinese people are interested in ensuring their survival and that of the world, they should be working to encourage these policies.

## Politics

#### CIR will pass now—Causes and instant jolt in the economy

United National Press, 22/13

(United National Press, “Obama would accept piecemeal on CIR”, 11/20/13, <http://www.upi.com/Top_News/US/2013/11/20/Obama-would-accept-piecemeal-immigration-reform/UPI-43991384929000/>, 11/21/13. CF)

"What we don't want to do is simply carve out one piece of it

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"If we are trying to cram and rush just because it's the calendar year, we don't think that's responsible," he said.

#### Political capital is key to passage-their internal link answers don’t assume the shutdown

Hattem, 10/20

(Julian, Washington Correspondent at [The Yomiuri Shimbun](http://www.linkedin.com/company/the-yomiuri-shimbun?trk=ppro_cprof) Reporting Intern at [Huffington Post Investigative Fund](http://www.linkedin.com/company/huffington-post-investigative-fund?trk=ppro_cprof) Project Coordinator at Arete Fund, 10/20/13, The Hill, “Obama has 'undermined' immigration reform effort, Sen. Rubio says,” <http://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/news/329471-rubio-obama-made-immigration-reform-less-likely>, Accessed: 10/29/13, LPS.)

Florida Sen. Marco Rubio (R) said that President Obama’s handling of the 16-day government shutdown has made the path to reforming the country’s immigration system more difficult. ¶

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“I do support Sen. McConnell’s reelection,” he said. “I think he’s trying to lead our conference.”

#### Plan saps Obama’s capital

Birns & Mills, Council on Hemispheric Affairs director and senior research fellow, 1/30/13

(Larry and Frederick B., Council on Hemispheric Affairs, “Best Time for U.S.– Cuba Rapprochement Is Now,” <http://www.coha.org/best-time-for-u-s-cuba-rapprochement-is-now/>, Accessed 7/9/13)

Despite the basic intransigence of US policy towards Cuba, in recent years, important changes have been introduced by Havana

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An end to the embargo has been long overdue, and the judgment of history may very well be that it ought never to have been started.

#### Key to the economy

Reuters 1-29 “Immigration Reform To Provide Net Benefit To U.S. Economy: Experts,” 1/29/2013, http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/01/29/immigration-reform-economic-boost\_n\_2571414.html?utm\_hp\_ref=business

NEW YORK, Jan 29 (Reuters) - The sluggish U.S. economy could get a lift if President Barack Obama and a bipartisan group of senators succeed in what could be the biggest overhaul of the nation's immigration system since the 1980s.

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That's an annual increase of 0.8 percentage points to the economic growth rate, currently stuck at about 2 percent.

#### Economic collapse causes global wars

Royal ‘10 director of Cooperative Threat Reduction at the U.S. Department of Defense (Jedediah, Economics of War and Peace: Economic, Legal, and Political Perspectives, pg 213-215)

Less intuitive is how periods of economic decline may increase the likelihood of external conflict

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This implied connection between integration, crises and armed conflict has not featured prominently in the economic-security debate and deserves more attention.

## XO CP

**CP Text: The United States’** President should issue an Executive Order to normalize its economic relations with Cuba.

#### The CP solves all of the case-- Recent executive order proves Obama can use XO’s to further economic engagement

USCOC 13 (United States Chamber of Commerce, May 01, 2012, U.S. Chamber Welcomes Executive Order on International Regulatory Cooperation, <http://www.uschamber.com/press/releases/2012/may/us-chamber-welcomes-executive-order-international-regulatory-cooperation>) TYBG

Sean Heather, vice president of the U.S. Chamber's Center for Global Regulatory Cooperation, issued the following statement welcoming today’s announcement by the Obama Administration of a new executive order on international regulatory cooperation

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The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world’s largest business federation representing the interests of more than 3 million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations.

## Venezuela

1. **Venezuela won’t allow U.S. investment – the U.S. will be locked out**

**Epperson & Domm 13** (Sharon & Patti, ‘With Hugo Chavez gone, US oil industry eyes Venezuela’, Christian Science Monitor, March 6, 2013, http://www.csmonitor.com/Environment/Latest-News-Wires/2013/0306/With-Hugo-Chavez-gone-US-oil-industry-eyes-Venezuela)//MJ

Venezuela has more oil reserves than any other country thanks to massive deposits of asphalt-like crude in what’s called the Orinoco oil belt

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Many Gulf Coast refineries prefer to use heavy oil because it can mean higher profits for gasoline, diesel and other refined products.

1. **Venezuela will say no --- anti-Americanism is too entrenched**

**Drezner 13** --- professor of international politics at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University (3/7/2013, Daniel W., “Why post-Chavez Venezuela won't be a U.S. ally anytime soon,” http://drezner.foreignpolicy.com/category/wordpress\_tag/venezuela, JMP)

The passing of Hugo Chavez has prompted the usual 21st century cycle of news coverage and commentary that follows the death of a polarizing figure

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**Only genuine political reform in Venezuela will cure it, and I don't expect that anytime soon.**

#### Venezuela won’t engage—we can’t build relations

Labott 2013(Elise, CNN Foreign Affairs Reporter, March 6, "U.S.-Venezuela relations likely to remain tense after Chavez", http://security.blogs.cnn.com/2013/03/06/u-s-venezuela-relations-likely-to-remain-tense-after-chavez/)

But in the words of one senior official, the outreach to Caracas has been a "rocky road." Talks have been short on substance and never left U.S. officials with the feeling Venezuela was interested in mending fences.

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#### 3. Turn – U.S. investment in Latin America hurts relations – broad protests prove

**Grandin 10** – American historian, and professor of history at New York University (Greg, “Muscling Latin America,” The Nation, January 21, 2010, http://www.thenation.com/article/muscling-latin-america#axzz2XLnn95pN)//SS

Responding to criticism from South America on the Colombian deal, the White House insists it merely formalizes existing ¶ military cooperation between the two countries under

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**continues to place Latin America in the vanguard of the anticorporate and anti-militarist global democracy movement.**

#### No trade war impact

Ian **Fletcher** 8/29/**11** Ian Fletcher is Senior Economist of the Coalition for a Prosperous America, former Research Fellow at the U.S. Business and Industry Council M.A. and B.A. from Columbia and U Chicago, "Avoid Trade War? We're Already In One!" [[www.huffingtonpost.com/ian-fletcher/avoid-trade-war-were-alre\_b\_939967.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/ian-fletcher/avoid-trade-war-were-alre_b_939967.html)]

The curious thing about the concept of trade war is that, unlike actual shooting war, it has no historical precedent. In fact, there has never been a significant trade war,

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. The rest of the world engages in these struggles all the time without doing much harm; it will be no different if we join the party.

#### Too high of risk—Terrorists *won’t get a bomb*—donors fear retaliation

Mueller ’09 [John, Professor of Political Science at Ohio State University, April 30, 2009, International Commission on Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament, “The Atomic Terrorist?”, www.icnnd.org/research/Mueller\_Terrorism.pdf]

One route a would-be atomic terrorist might take would be to be given or sold a bomb by a generous like-minded nuclear state for delivery abroad

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Most of the time it didn’t get along all that well even with its host in Afghanistan, the Taliban government.

#### One in three and a half billion chance of a successful attack

Schneidmiller ‘9 Chris Schneidmiller, “Experts Debate Threat of Nuclear, Biological Terrorism,” Global Security Newswire, 1/13/2009, http://www.nti.org/gsn/article/experts-debate-threat-of-nuclear-biological-terrorism/

WASHINGTON -- There is an "almost vanishingly small" likelihood that terrorists would ever be able to acquire and detonate a nuclear weapon

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Even Pakistan, which today is perhaps the nation of greatest concern regarding nuclear security, keeps its bombs in two segments that are stored at different locations, he said (see GSN, Jan. 12).

#### No causal relationship between economic decline and war.

**Ferguson 6** [Niall, MA, D.Phil., is Laurence A. Tisch Professor of History at Harvard University and William Ziegler Professor of Business Administration at Harvard Business School. He is also a Senior Research Fellow at Jesus College, Oxford University, and a Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution, Stanford University, Foreign Affairs, Sept/Oct, “The Next War of the World”]

Nor can economic crises explain the bloodshed.

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Some wars came after periods of growth, others were the causes rather than the consequences of economic catastrophe, and some severe economic crises were not followed by wars.

#### Turn- The War on Drugs only causes Instability

Beittel, Analyst in Latin American Affairs, 13 [June S. , 4-15-13, Congressional Research Service , "Mexico’s Drug Trafficking Organizations: Source and Scope of the Violence" , http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/R41576.pdf , 7-8-13 , JC]

After winning the election by a very slim margin and coming to office in December 2006, ¶ President Calderón made an aggressive campaign against the DTOs the centerpiece of his ¶ administration’s policy.

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14 As a result, the ¶ violence in Mexico grew more extensive, more volatile, and less predictable.

#### US invented the nuclear weapon—further international leadership leads to war

Bacevich, Boston University professor of history and international relations, 9

[Andrew, April 30, 2009, Salon, “Fairwell to the American Century” <http://www.salon.com/writer/andrew_bacevich/>. Accessed 7-7-13 BLE]

What flag-wavers tend to leave out of their account of the American Century is not only the contributions of others, but the various missteps perpetrated by the United States — missteps, it should be noted, that spawned many of the problems bedeviling us today.

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detained several dozen U.S. diplomats and military officers and subjected the administration of Jimmy Carter to a 444-day-long lesson in abject humiliation.

#### US hegemony triggers backlash, fostering terrorism

**Layne, Texas A&M George Bush School of Government and Public Service professor, 7**

[Christopher, 2007 and Robert M. Gates Chair in National Security, American Empire: A Debate//, <http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/international_security/v031/31.2layne.html>, accessed 7-6-13 BLE]

After 9/11, many foreign policy analysts and pundits asked the question

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Simply put, it is American primacy, and the policies that flow from it, that have made the United States a lightning rod for Islamic anger.

#### No war- US and china would never first strike each other, war would be too hard to prep for, and economies too intertwined

**Kissinger, 12** (Henry A. hair of Kissinger Associates and a former U.S. Secretary of State and National Security Adviser. “The Future of U.S.-Chinese Relations: Conflict Is a Choice, Not a Necessity.” March/April *Foreign Affiairs*)

Is there, then, a point in the quest for a cooperative U.S.-Chinese relationship and in policies designed to achieve it?

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**A prolonged confrontation between China and the United States would alter the world economy with unsettling consequences for all.**

#### No war- economic ties and other allies in the region make it too risky

Hsu, 11 **(Jeremy-staff writer. “Economic Ties Could Help Prevent US-China War.” 11/1. http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/45125209/ns/technology\_and\_science-innovation/t/economic-ties-could-help-prevent-us-china-war/)**

**The Rand Corporation's analysts put low odds on a China-U.S. military conflict taking place,** but still lay out danger scenarios where the U.S. and China face greater risks of stumbling into an unwanted war with one another.

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**Such neighbors, including India, South Korea, Japan and Taiwan, also represent possible flashpoints for China-U.S. conflict in the scenarios laid out by the Rand report.**