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**The only blockade preventing Saudi Arabian proliferation is a strong US security commitment – perception of shifting oil consumption causes proliferation**

**Rogers 3/20** – [2013 – Will Rogers is the Bacevich Fellow at the Center for a New American Security (CNAS). At CNAS, Mr. Rogers’ research focus is on science, technology and national security policy. He has authored or co-authored a range of publications on energy, climate change, environmental cooperation in Asia and cybersecurity, “America Committed to Gulf Security Despite Changing Relationship with Region's Oil, says Gen. Dempsey,” Center for New American Security, 2013, http://www.cnas.org/blogs/naturalsecurity/2013/03/america-committed-gulf-security-despite-changing-relationship-regions-]

America’s relationship with the Middle East’s energy resources is changing as U.S.

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**- will have to be managed carefully. What a tightrope to walk.**

**Cuban production trades-off with US- Mid-East oil ties**

**Alhaiji and Maris 04** – [Dr. A. F. Alhajji is an energy economist and George Patton Chair of Business and Economics at the College of Business Administration at Ohio Northern, Terry L. Maris is the founding executive director of the Center for Cuban. Business Studies and professor of management, “The Future of Cuba’s Energy Sector,” Cuba Today, 2004, http://web.gc.cuny.edu/dept/bildn/publications/cubatodaybookcomplete.pdf#page=105]

The current economic, political, and social trends in Cuba indicate that energy consumption

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the US and other oil producing countries, especially in the Middle East.

**Saudi prolif causes nuclear war**

**Edelman 11** – (Eric –Distinguished Fellow at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments & Former U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy, Foreign Affairs, Jan/Feb, <http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/67162/eric-s-edelman-andrew-f-krepinevich-jr-and-evan-braden-montgomer/the-dangers-of-a-nuclear-iran>)

There is, however, at least one state that could receive significant outside support

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Middle East could lead to a new Great Game, with unpredictable consequences.

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**Energy production policy is grounded within a global system of inequality and militarism – Enables continued reactionary violence and environmental destruction**

Byrne and Toley 6 (John – Head of the Center for Energy and Environmental Policy – It’s a leading institution for interdisciplinary graduate education, research, and advocacy in energy and environmental policy – John is also a Distinguished Professor of Energy & Climate Policy at the University of Delaware – 2007 Nobel Peace Prize for his work on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Toley – Directs the Urban Studies and Wheaton in Chicago programs - Selected to the Chicago Council on Global Affairs Emerging Leaders Program for 2011-2013 - expertise includes issues related to urban and environmental politics, global cities, and public policy, “Energy as a Social Project: Recovering a Discourse,” p. 1-32)

From climate change to acid rain, contaminated landscapes, mercury pollution, and biodiversity

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are the enemies. The living organism demands a life-sustaining environment.

**Neoliberal engagement of Latin America results in loss of value to life, political oppression, military intervention, and environmental destruction – makes extinction inevitable**

**Makwana 06 –** (Rajesh, STWR, 23rd November 06, <http://www.stwr.org/globalization/neoliberalism-and-economic-globalization.html>, ZBurdette)

Neoliberalism and Economic Globalization

The goal of neoliberal … stimulate domestic industry and self sufficiency, thereby reducing poverty. They would then be in a better position to compete in international markets.

**Reject the AFF as a means to create space for alternatives to neoliberal engagement**

**Munck 03 –** professor of Globalization and Social Exclusion(Ronaldo, Department of Sociology, Social Policy & Social Work Studies and Globalisation and Social Exclusion Unit, University of Liverpool, “Neoliberalism, necessitarianism and alternatives in Latin America: there is no alternative (TINA)?”, Third World Quarterly, Vol 24, No 3, pp 495–511, 2003, <http://www-e.uni-magdeburg.de/evans/Journal%20Library/Trade%20and%20Countries/Neoliberalism,%20necessitarianism%20and%20alternatives%20in%20Latin%20America.pdf>, ZBurdette)

Taking as its point of departure the position that **there are or must be alternatives to neoliberalism**, this article …  **terms**, the exciting but also challenging prospects now opening up in Brazil under Lula underline the urgency of developing a credible and viable alternative to its policies.

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**Economic engagement must be conditional**

Shinn 96 [James Shinn, C.V. Starr Senior Fellow for Asia at the CFR in New York City and director of the council’s multi-year Asia Project, worked on economic affairs in the East Asia Bureau of the US Dept of State, “Weaving the Net: Conditional Engagement with China,” pp. 9 and 11, google books]

In sum, conditional engagement … Strategies of Containment: A critical Appraisal of Postwar American National Security Policy. New York: Oxford University Press, (1982). This is also cited in Fareed Zakaria, “The Reagan Strategy of Containment,” Political Science Quarterly 105, no. 3 (1990), pp. 383-88).

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**Chinese influence in Mexican energy is increasing now**

Eric **Farnsworth**, **9/24**/2013. Vice President of the Council of the Americas and Americas Society. “China and Mexico: An Emerging Trans-Pacific Partnership?” China US Focus, http://www.chinausfocus.com/foreign-policy/china-and-mexico-an-emerging-trans-pacific-partnership/.

China’s exploding interest in Latin America is a defining element of the past decade in the Americas.  From a base approaching zero, China is now the top trade partner for Brazil, Chile, and Peru and ranks near the top for several others.  … and challenging business conditions in China; China’s own government may also be noticing the trend and seeking to take full advantage.

**US engagement with cuba trades off with Chinese energy investment, tanking their economy**

Gary **Regenstreif**, 6/12/**2013**. “The looming U.S.-China rivalry over Latin America,” Reuters, http://blogs.reuters.com/great-debate/2013/06/12/the-looming-u-s-china-rivalry-over-latin-america/.

Though the U.S. and Chinese presidents heralded a “new model” of cooperation at their weekend summit, a **growing …** infrastructure, mining and energy because of the expected reforms that would open the oil industry to foreign investment.

**That causes chinese economic collapse, resulting in global war**

**Kane 01** [Thomas Kane, PhD in Security Studies from the University of Hull & Lawrence Serewicz, Autumn, <http://www.carlisle.army.mil/usawc/Parameters/01autumn/Kane.htm>]

Despite China's problems with its food supply, the Chinese do not appear to be

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China's government might try to ward off its demise by attacking adjacent countries.

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**The United States federal government should establish a Security and Prosperity Partnership to offer efficiency-based concessions to Mexico in exchange for a technical negotiations framework to ratify H.R. 1613**

**The counterplan is distinct and vital to policy sustainability – concessions are key to remedy lack of trust, which undermines future cooperation**

**Anderson and Sands, 7** – \*Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Alberta, \*\*Senior Fellow, Hudson Institute (Greg, Christopher, “Negotiating North America: The Security and Prosperity Partnership”, Hudson Institute White Papers, Summer 2007)//SJF

U.S. wealth and strength are not always decisive in negotiations with Canada and Mexico; in fact, both U.S. neighbors have well-… incentives to cooperate on present issues to earn consideration on future matters that may be more important to each.

**The SPP’s gradual regulations process generates political will and avoids “big bang” reforms – even if the plan’s controversal, popular bureaucratic interest sways political officials, which is key to mobilize action**

**Ackleson and Kastner, 5** – jointly coordinate the Frontier Program, an interdisciplinary program for the historical studies of border security, food safety, and trade policy, \*assistant professor, Department of Government, New Mexico State University, \*\*assistant professor, Department of Diagnostic Medicine / Pathobiology, Kansas State University (Jason, Justin, *The American Review of Canadian Studies*, “THE SECURITY AND PROSPERITY PARTNERSHIP OF NORTH AMERICA”, 12/6/5)//SJF

The SPP seeks to repeat this 19th-century model of regulatory coordination. Canada’s, America’s, and Mexico’s Henry … likely faces an election in 2006 as well) may affect the durability of the agreement. These are points which we will return to in the conclusion.

**The net benefit is flexibility- The SPP is a vital mode of conflict resolution that uniquely forges governmental relationships**

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First, as noted above, our research … SPP suggests a similar pattern at the implementation level (for example, on efforts to reduce waiting times at the Detroit-Windsor international border crossing).

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**Heg doesn’t solve stability but destabilizes the world turning their impact**

**Cambanis 12** – [Thanassis, fellow at The Century Foundation, is the author of “A Privilege to Die: Inside Hezbollah’s Legions and Their Endless War Against Israel”, “The lonely superpower,” <http://bostonglobe.com/ideas/2012/01/22/the-lonely-superpower/FRkSf1s5n9lXku4VqvEtqJ/story.html>]

Now, however, with a few decades of experience to study, a young

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be much safer for a unipolar superpower, **not more costly and hazardous**.

**No impact to the transition**

**Ikenberry 08** – professor of Politics and International Affairs at Princeton University (John, “The Rise of China and the Future of the West Can the Liberal System Survive?” Jan/Feb 2008, Foreign Affairs,)

Some observers believe that the American era is coming to an end, as the

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, but the Western order -- if managed properly -- will live on.

**A shift to a grand strategy of restraint is key to avoid foreign entanglement**

**Sapolsky et al 09** – [Harvey M. Sapolsky is a professor of public policy and organization at MIT. Benjamin H. Friedman is a research fellow in defense and homeland security studies at Cato Institute. Eugene Gholz is an associate professor of public affairs at the University of Texas at Austin. Daryl G. Press is an associate professor of government at Dartmouth College. “Restraining Order: For Strategic Modesty” Fall, <http://www.worldaffairsjournal.org/articles/2009-Fall/full-Sapolsky-etal-Fall-2009.html>]

Even in an era of globalization, when information, people, goods, services

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match our foreign objectives to our abilities, and put domestic needs first.

**US Decline facilitates US multilateralism—paves the way for a soft landing that prevents their transition impacts.**

He 10—Professor of Political Science at Utah State University [Kai He (Postdoctoral fellow in the Princeton-Harvard China and the World Program at Princeton University (2009–2010) and a Bradley fellow of the Lynda and Harry Bradley Foundation (2009–2010), “The hegemon’s choice between power and security: explaining US policy toward Asia after the Cold War,” Review of International Studies (2010), 36, pg. 1121–1143]

When US policymakers perceive a rising or a stable hegemony, the … choose security over power when US hegemony is in decline, offshore balancing and multilateralism can help the US maximise security in the future anarchic, multipolar world. Pg. 1141-1143

**That cooperation is key to planetary survival—weak regulations risk extinction.**

Masciulli 11—Professor of Political Science @ St Thomas University [Joseph Masciulli, “The Governance Challenge for Global Political and Technoscientific Leaders in an Era of Globalization and Globalizing Technologies,” Bulletin of Science, Technology & Society February 2011 vol. 31 no. 1 pg. 3-5]

What is most to be feared is enhanced global disorder resulting from the combination of weak global regulations; the unforeseen …. They **seek** their **national** or alliance **superiority**, or at least, parity, for the sake of their state’s survival and security now. Unless the global disorder-emergency scenario was to occur soon—God forbid—the great powers will most likely, recklessly and tragically, leave global survival and security to their longer term agendas. Pg. 4-5

**AND, unipolarity directly trades off with US leadership.**

Ikenberry 6—Professor of Politics and International Affairs @ Princeton University [G. John Ikenberry, Liberal International Theory in the Wake of 911 and American Unipolarity, 22 January 2006, pg. http://tinyurl.com/6v3vtyy]

Liberalism and American Hegemony - A final crisis point in liberal internationalism is that the postwar liberal project depended on enlightened American hegemony—… ideology may wax and wane between multilateral and imperial impulses—but the wider and deeper liberal global order is now a reality that America itself must accommodate itself to.

\*US key - US provides the framework of cooperation

\*Multilat allows the world to bandwagon instead of resist

\*Multilat = open market, intergovernmental institutions, & cooperative security

**1nc econ**

**PEMEX instability inevitable for several reasons – these cumulative risks to the industry crush the advantage**

**Martin and Longmire 11** – \*Jeremy Martin is Director of the Energy Program at the Institute of the Americas, \*\*Sylvia Longmire is a Mexico Security Expert & President, Longmire Consulting (Jeremy Martin and Sylvia Longmire, Journal of Energy Security, “The Perilous Intersection of Mexico’s Drug War & Pemex”, March 22, 2011, <http://www.borderlandbeat.com/2011/03/perilous-intersection-of-mexicos-drug.html>) // CB

Pemex exposed and impacted

As discussed previously, **oil theft** … is now added to the combustible mix is an increasing drain on the company’s finances and, worse, a sense of trepidation among executives in the field. Threats against its executives and loss of its resources are surely not a useful element as the company makes efforts to reform itself.

**Mexican instability inevitable – pervasiveness of monopolies**

**Voxxi 3/15** – news agency, cites OECD study (Shannon K O’Neil, “Road to stability for Mexico’s economy”, March 15, 2013, <http://www.voxxi.com/road-to-stability-for-mexicos-economy/>) // CB

A **lack of competition** pervades Mexico’s economy, as one or a few companies dominate sectors as diverse as glass, cement, flour, … than the OECD average (over 30 percent and 80 percent, respectively), even though Mexico’s telecom investment lags all other OECD countries. And Mexico trails not just China or Russia, but even Bosnia in broadband access.

**The economy had adapted since the 70s—oil shocks no longer have a substantial impact.**

Oliver **Blanchard and** Jordi **Gali**, 11/8/**07**. The Class of 1941 Professor of Economics, is a former MIT economics department head and Research Associate in the NBER's Program on Economic Fluctuations and Growth and the Program on Monetary Economics. “The Macroeconomic Effects of Oil Shocks: Why are the 2000s So Different from the 1970s?” National Bureau of Economic Research, <http://www.nber.org/papers/w13368>

Since the 1970s, and at least until recently, macroeconomists have viewed changes in

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period, in the face of oil price shocks of a similar magnitude.

**No impact to economic decline**

**Barnett 09** – senior managing director of Enterra Solutions LLC and a contributing editor/online columnist for Esquire magazine, columnist for World Politics Review (8/25, Thomas P.M. “The New Rules: Security Remains Stable Amid Financial Crisis,” World Politics Review, http://www.aprodex.com/the-new-rules--security-remains-stable-amid-financial-crisis-398-bl.aspx)

When the global financial crisis struck roughly a year ago, the blogosphere was ablaze with all sorts of scary predictions of, and commentary regarding, ensuing conflict and wars -- a rerun of the Great Depression leading to world war, as it were. Now, as global … has proven the great resilience of America's post-World War II international liberal trade order.

**1nc russia**

**No impact to Russia adventurism**

**Aron 06** – (Leon, Director of Russian Studies – American Enterprise Institute, “The United States and Russia”, 6-29,

http://www.aei.org/publications/pubID.24606/pub\_detail.asp)

Yet the probability of a frontal … a Russia that inherited an empty treasury from the Soviet Union and that was, like every revolutionary government, unable to collect taxes. Calculated in purchasing power parity, Russia’s defense expenditures in 2005 ($47.77 billion) were less than one-eleventh of what the U.S. spent ($522 billion).[18]

**Give Russia war zero probability – politics, military superiority, economic concerns, and nuclear security**

**Graham 07** – (Thomas, Russia in Global Affairs, "The dialectics of strength and weakness", http://eng.globalaffairs.ru/numbers/20/1129.html)

An astute historian of Russia, Martin Malia, wrote several years ago that “

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while laying the basis for more constructive long-term relations with Russia.

**Their evidence is alarmism—cooperation outweighs in the Arctic.**

**Macalister 7/6 –** [Terry, energy editor of the Guardian, “US and Russia stir up political tensions over Arctic,” <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2011/jul/06/us-russia-political-tensions-arctic>]

The message was clear: the US is putting itself at the centre of the

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It is not a place of turmoil but an area of low tension."

**War in the Arctic is impossible – international cooperation checks escalation.**

**Kraska 11** – US Navy Commander Chair of Operational Law and member of the International Law Department (Commander James, “Arctic Security in an Age of Climate Change” 2011; <http://books.google.com/books?id=b-U1To97zqsC&printsec=frontcover#v=onepage&q&f=false>)//AB

**Still, armed conflict in the Arctic is improbable**. The National Intelligence Council,

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in the Arctic have “nothing to do with reality,” Putin stressed.

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**This turns and outweighs the case:**

**a) it proves the aff’s harms are constructed – unipolarity promotes irrational threat construction that guarantees war**

**Ikenberry 09** – (G. John Ikenberry, professor of politics and international affairs at Princeton University, January 2009, “Unipolarity, State Behavior, and Systemic Consequences”, <http://muse.jhu.edu.proxy.lib.umich.edu/journals/world_politics/v061/61.1.ikenberry.html>) //ZA

Political scientists have placed greater emphasis on the impact of regime type on foreign policy

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Jervis suggests, for the unipole threats may be nowhere—or everywhere.

**b) risks extinction**

**Layne 06 –** Christopher Layne (Associate Professor in the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University) 2006 “The Peace of Illusions” p 169

Rather than being instruments of regional pacification, today America's alliances are transmission belts for

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from the danger of being entrapped in Eurasian conflicts **by** its **alliance commitments**.

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**Clinging results in global war and extinction – times have changed and a transition now solves war via mililateralism – solves all your offense, star this card**

**Naim 3/5**/13 **–** PhD in Econ from MIT, senior associate in Carnegie’s International Economics Program, where his research focuses on international economics and global politics, former editor in chief of Foreign Policy, Former Professor of econ at ISEA, former executive director of the World Bank, former minister of trade and industry for Venezuela in the early 1990s, chairman of the boards of both the Group of Fifty and Population Action International as well as a member of the Boards of Directors of the National Endowment for Democracy, International Crisis Group, and the Open Society Foundations (Moises, Mar 5, 2013, “The End of Power: From Boardrooms to Battlefields and Churches to States, Why Being in Charge Isn't What It Used to Be,” <http://books.google.com/books?id=X-vvGdEz9A0C&dq=Specifically+it+is+about+how+power%E2%80%94the+capacity+to+get+others+to+do,+or+stop+doing,+something%E2%80%94is+undergoing+a+historic+and+world-changing+transformation.+Power+is+spreading,+and&source=gbs_navlinks_s)JCP>

THE STAKES OF HEGEMONY Whenever global politics goes through major flux, the specters of

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power is easier to obtain and harder to use or even to keep.

**turns russia war**

**Turns Russia war – causes Russia expansionism**

**Press TV 09** – [“Medvedev lashes out at US hegemony,” Sept 15 http://www.presstv.ir/detail.aspx?id=106209&sectionid=351020602]

Russia's President has slammed America's global dominance saying all nations have the right to remark on the policies of a state … of global supremacy … 'Global Caliphate' or 'Benevolent Hegemony'".

There can be no "high-flown justification for military adventures, suppression of rights and freedoms -- of any illegal activities," he stressed.

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**Unipolarity causes nuclear balancing**

**Monteiro 12 “**Nuno P. Monteiro is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Yale University, where he teaches International Relations theory, security studies, and the philosophical foundations of the study of politics. He earned a Licentiate’s degree in International Relations from the University of Minho (1997), an M.A. degree in Political Theory and Science from the Catholic University of Portugal (2003), and A.M. and Ph.D. degrees in Political Science from the University of Chicago (2004/09). Dr. Monteiro’s research focuses on great-power politics, power transitions, nuclear proliferation, preventive war, deterrence, and the role of philosophy-of-science arguments in the production of scientific knowledge in IR. His commentary on these topics has appeared in the Guardian, Foreign Affairs, The National Interest, Project Syndicate, and the USA Today and been featured in the media, including radio (e.g., BBC) and print (e.g., the Boston Globe). Dr. Monteiro is a research fellow at Yale’s Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies and a member of the Scientific Council of thePortuguese International Relations Institute (IPRI). His research has appeared in International Security and International Theory.” Winter 2011/2012“Unrest Assured – why unipolarity is not peaceful” <http://www.mitpressjournals.org/doi/pdf/10.1162/ISEC_a_00064>

In an international system with more than one great power, recalcitrant minor powers would

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weapons. 73 In so doing, they seek to become major powers.

**at: cling to power**

**Cling theories are flawed – domestic focus, political maneuvers, context**

Parent and McDonald 11 – (Joseph, Assistant Professor of Political Science at University of Miami, Paul, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Wellesley College, "Graceful Decline? The Surprising Success of Great Power Retrenchment," [International Security](http://www.belfercenter.org/is/), volume 35, issue 4, pages 7-44, Spring 2011, <http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu/files/ISEC_a_00034-MacDonald_proof2.pdf> SL)

For Gilpin and Copeland, retrenchment is a policy that states should avoid. Other

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relative decline that one should expect partisan rancor and sectoral rivalry to recede.

**2nc peaceful transition**

**Multilateralism creates international cooperation to solve warming – unipolarity causes warming**

**Lee et al 10** –Research Director, Energy, Environment and Resource Governance at Chatham House (Bernice, “The United States and climate change: from process to action,” 2-23, <http://www.chathamhouse.org.uk/files/16489_us0510_lee_grubb.pdf>)//NG

Despite the crucial importance of national and regional initiatives, the world ultimately cannot solve

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mediator on the transatlantic divide; and a resurgent Russia remained largely apart.

**c) even if the US declines, liberal international norms survive – solves the impact**

**Ikenberry 11** – (May/June issue of Foreign Affairs, G. John, PhD, 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, “The Future of the Liberal World Order,” http://www.foreignaffairs.com/

articles/67730/g-john-ikenberry/the-future-of-the-liberal-world-order?page=show)

For all these reasons, many observers have concluded that world politics is experiencing not

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and prosperity that it has provided since the middle of the twentieth century.

**d) transition theory is flawed – three reasons**

**Nexon 09** – Daniel, Assistant professor in the Department of Government and the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University. “The Balance of Power in the Balance,” World Politics – Volume 61, Number 2, April 2009, Muse

Hegemonic order and power transition accounts also contain theories of power balances (and of

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(Lemke, BoP:T&P, 55–58).28

**2nc heg fails**

**d) psychological bias – reject their vague assertions for conflict scenarios absent hegemony because their authors overestimate the importance of the US – star this card**

**Fettweis 11 –** [Christopher J. Fettweis - Department of Political Science Tulane University and Professor of National Security Affairs at the US Naval War College, “Free Riding or Restraint Examining European Grand Strategy”, Comparative Strategy; Sep/Oct2011, Vol. 30 Issue 4, p316-332, 17p, Chetan]

Assertions that without the combination of U.S. capabilities, presence and commitments

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their security is all but assured, with or without the United States.

**xt – no russia war**

**First strike prevents Russia war**

**Lieber and Press 06** – (Keir A. Lieber, the author of War and the Engineers: The Primacy of Politics Over Technology, is Assistant Professor of Political Science at the University of Notre Dame.Daryl G. Press, the author of Calculating Credibility: How Leaders Assess Military Threats, is Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Pennsylvania, “The Rise of US Nuclear Primacy,” Foreign Affairs, March/April, <http://www.dartmouth.edu/~dpress/docs/Press_Rise_US_Nuclear_Primacy_FA.pdf>)

For almost half a century, the world’s most powerful nuclear states have been locked

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shadow of U.S. nuclear primacy for many years to come.

**War would be Russian economic suicide**

**Wagstyl 08 –** Stefan, Current Bureau Chief of Berlin’s Financial Times and has been covering emerging eastern markets for 20 years, March 1 2008, “Return of the Cold Warriors”, FT.com, <http://www.ft.com/cms/s/2/fd9d7e48-e372-11dc-8799-0000779fd2ac.html#axzz2adCtei90>

Lucas admits there is little chance of another armed confrontation with the west. The

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that destroyed the Soviet Union – the empire-builder himself was responsible.

**xt – no ! to arctic conflict**

**at: counter-interpretation**

**Contextual evidence proves**

Wright 06 – [Rebecca Wright, J.D. student at the Boalt Hall School of Law at UC Berkeley, “Finding an Impetus for Institutional Change at the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights,” 24 Berkeley J. Int'l L. 463, lexis]

The potential effectiveness of tying economic incentives to demands for institutional change is evident from

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and to lay a solid foundation for future [\*490] cooperation." n138

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**Limits turns education and fairness**

**Rowland 84 –** (Robert C., Baylor U., “Topic Selection in Debate”, American Forensics in Perspective Ed Parson, p. 53-4)

The first major problem identified by the work group as relating to topic selection is

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of broad topics that has led some small schools to **cancel their programs**.

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**Conditionality is good – first our OFFENSE:**

**1. nuanced advocacy** – **conditionality enforces ideological flexibility which is the lynchpin of democratic deliberation – outweighs your offense**

**Hanson and Marcus 10** — Russell L. Hanson, Professor of Political Science at Indiana University, holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from the University of Minnesota, and George E. Marcus, Professor of Political Science at Williams College, holds a Ph.D. in Political Science from Northwestern University, 2010 (“Introduction: The Practice of Democratic Theory,” *Reconsidering the Democratic Public*, Edited by George E. Marcus and Russell L. Hanson, Published by Penn State Press, ISBN 0271042923, p. 14-15)

Hence, for citizens to engage in deliberation, they must **tolerate ambiguity** and **appreciate contradiction** … with **disjunction** and **ambivalence**, and a willingness to **explore problematic issues** with fellow citizens—all of which suggests that democratic citizens must be more like foxes than the hedgehogs of political philosophy and democratic revisionism.

**counterplan**

**at: Perm – CP**

**We’re the only team that defines the mechanism of the counterplan – SPP negotiations are distinct from economic engagement, which requires Congressional oversight**

**Villarreal and Lake, 10** – \*Specialist in International Trade and Finance, \*\*Analyst in Domestic Security (M Angeles, Jennifer E, “Security and Prosperity Partnership of North America: An Overview and Selected Issues”, Congressional Research Service, 1/22/10)//SJF

The SPP was not a trade agreement, nor a form of economic integration,

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integration would have required the approval of the U.S. Congress.

**2. The counterplan is diplomatic promotion of economic engagement, without actually doing it**

Reuvers 12 – Shirin Reuvers, Masters in Management and Governance at University of Twente, “Research on Commercial Diplomacy: Review and Implications”, July, http://essay.utwente.nl/61817/1/2012-07\_MSc\_SIMReuvers.pdf

For the purposes of this thesis commercial diplomacy is defined as the use of diplomatic means to support commercial … a theoretical difference, we decided to combine elements of commercial and economic diplomacy in our definition since in practice both terms are often used interchangeably.

**3. The counterplan is only an inducement – it doesn’t facilitate economic linkages**

**Celik, 11 –** master’s student at Uppsala University (Department of Peace and Conflict Research) (Arda, Economic Sanctions and Engagement Policies <http://www.grin.com/en/e-book/175204/economic-sanctions-and-engagement-policies>)

Economic engagement policies are strategic integration behaviour which involves with the target state. Engagement

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

**4. Increase requires a net increase – the counterplan decreases engagement as a bargaining chip**

**Words and Phrases 8** (20B W&P – 265-265)

Cal.App.2 Dist. 1991. Term “increase,” as used

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. West’s Ann.Cal.Pub.Res.Code § 25123.

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**b. timeframe – perception of the plan slashes Chinese soft power**

**Ellis 11** – Associate professor with the William J. Perry Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies (R. Evan, “Chinese Soft Power in Latin America: A Case Study”, NDU Press, Issue 60, 1st Quarter, <http://www.ndu.edu/press/lib/images/jfq-60/JFQ60_85-91_Ellis.pdf)//VP>

It is also important to clarify that soft power is based on **perceptions** and emotion

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, the business community, students and youth, and the general population.

**amazon—no impact**

**No impact or scenario for Amazon collapse**

**Wigmore 5** – quoting biogeography professor at London University who edits the Journal of Biogeography and a Canadian co-founder of Greenpeace (6/9, Barry, New York Post, Posted at Cheat Seeking Missiles, date is date of post, <http://cheatseekingmissiles.blogspot.com/2005/06/stop-global-whining-2.html>)

"One of the simple, but very important, facts is that the rainforests

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an alarming rate is a con based on bad science," Moore says.

**amazon—resilient**

**Amazon resilient**

**Budiansky 93** – Atlantic Monthly correspondent (Stephen, 12/5, The Doomsday Myths, http://www.usnews.com/usnews/culture/articles/931213/archive\_016280\_print.htm)

Similarly, the Atlantic coastal forests of Brazil have been cut to about 12 percent

… evolved mechanisms to cope with the severe natural upheavals that are endemic to a mountainous climate subject to heavy rains and sudden cold spells.

**amazon—alt cause**

**Alternate causality - palm oil**

**Butler, 08** – founder and editor of Mongabay.com, one of the leading sites on the Web covering tropical forests and biodiversity (Rhett, “Global Commodities Boom  Fuels New Assault on Amazon,” 6/19,

http://e360.yale.edu/content/feature.msp?id=2010)

As demand for biofuels continues to grow, there is a very real possibility that

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, equal to the forested areas conducive to soy and sugar production combined.

**amazon—up now**

**Status quo solves**

**Science Daily 2009** (12/7, The End of Deforestation in the Brazilian Amazon?, http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/12/091203163148.htm, WEA)

ScienceDaily (Dec. 7, 2009) — A new article in the … is showing that leadership."

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**Warming and weather make it inevitable**

**Fearnside 6** – leading expert on the Amazon; Professor of Ecology, National Institute for Research in the Amazon (Philip, 10/23, Amazon conservation efforts must come soon, http://news.mongabay.com/2006/1023-interview\_fearnside.html)

Deforestation is progressing rapidly, and if continued for 20 or 50 years the results

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catastrophic die off of Amazonian forest by 2080 if global warming is unchecked.