**===Contention 1: Inherency===**

**Status quo realignment has been hampered by delays, uncertainty, and cost overruns – infrastructure upgrades are a prerequisite to successful relocation**

**Mat\*\*thews \*\*6-12-12** (Laura, International Business Times reporter, June 12, 2012, "Guam Faces Uncertain Future As U.S. Delays Shifting Marines From Okinawa," [[http://www.ibtimes.com/articles/351154/20120612/guam-military-buildup-relocation-marines-okinawa-real.htm-http://www.ibtimes.com/articles/351154/20120612/guam-military-buildup-relocation-marines-okinawa-real.htm]], YX)

The talks began approximately 10 years ago: The United States and Japan had a

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said. "You have to wait and see what they actually do."

**===Contention 2: Power Projection===**

**====Conflict is emerging in the South Sea as China expands its military – escalating tensions and resources make miscalculation likely====**

**\*\*Westhead 7/14\*\*** (Rick Westhead, writer for Foreign Affairs, staff writer/South Asia Bureau Chief for the Toronto Star, The Star, 7/14/12, "Battle for the Pacific: Naval arms race in the China Sea", http://www.thestar.com/news/world/article/1225396—battle-for-the-pacific-naval-arms-race-in-the-china-sea

A 21st-century Great Game is unfolding in the Asia Pacific, a region

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claiming its oil and gas operations "undermined China~’s interests and jurisdictional rights."

**====Miscalculation causes extinction ====**

**\*\*PR Newswire 98\*\* ~**~["NEJM Study Warns of Increasing Risk of Accidental Nuclear Attack" April 29, Lexis~~]

Launching nuclear missiles on false warning is the most plausible contemporary ~’accident~’ scenario, according

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that could trigger full-scale nuclear war with billions of casualties worldwide.

**====Territorial disputes snowball into nuclear conflict====**

**\*\*Chakraborty 10\*\*** (Tuhin Subhro Chakraborty, Research Associate at Rajiv Gandhi Institute for Contemporary Studies (RGICS), his primary area of work is centered on East Asia and International Relations. His recent work includes finding an alternative to the existing security dilemma in East Asia and the Pacific and Geo Political implications of the ~’Rise of China~’. Prior to joining RGICS, he was associated with the Centre for Strategic Studies and Simulation, United Service Institution of India (USI) where he examined the role of India in securing Asia Pacific. He has coordinated conferences and workshops on United Nation Peacekeeping Visions and on China~’s Quest for Global Dominance. He has written commentaries on issues relating to ASEAN, Asia Pacific Security Dilemma and US China relations. He also contributed in carrying out simulation exercise on the ~’Afghanistan Scenario~’ for the Foreign Service Institute (FSI). Tuhin interned at the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), Sapru House, wherein he worked on the Rise of People~’s Liberation Army (PLA) military budget and its impact on India. He graduated from St. Stephen~’s College, Delhi and thereafter he undertook his masters in East Asian Studies from University of Delhi. His areas of interest include China, India-Japan bilateral relations, ASEAN, Asia Pacific security dynamics and Nuclear Issues, The United States Service Institution of India, 2010, "The Initiation %26 Outlook of ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting (ADMM) Plus Eight",http://www.usiofindia.org/Article/?pub=Strategic%20Perspective%26pubno=20%26ano=739)

The first ASEAN Defence Ministers Meeting Plus Eight (China, India, Japan,

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a major conflict which has the possibility of turning into a nuclear conflict.

**====Guam realignment solves hostilities – geography ====**

**\*\*Kamiya 12\*\*** (Matake Kamiya is Professor of International Relations at the National Defense Academy of Japan. He was a main author of the report Strategic Implications of an Ongoing Buildup of the US Bases in Guam for Japan, which the Research Institute for Peace and Security published in 2007, 6/20/12, "The Relocation of US Marines from Okinawa to Guam: Strategic Implications for Japan", http://www.asianz.org.nz/our-work/track-2/opinions-essays/matake-kamiya)

How should we assess the impact of the relocation on Japan~’s security? The planned

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will enhance the Japanese people~’s support of the alliance with the United States.

**====Guam is the linchpin of deterrence in the Asia-Pacific – proximity to hotspots ensures rapid response and deters Chinese expansionism====**

**\*\*Caryl, 7\*\***

(Washington Chief Editor for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty. He is a Contributing Editor at Foreign Policy and a Senior Fellow of the Center for International Studies at MIT, http://www.newsweek.com/2007/02/25/america-s-unsinkable-fleet.html)

So why all the fuss over a tropical island just 30 miles long, known

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U.S. Navy is now clearly emphasizing its force in Asia.

**====Leadership transition causes apolarity and competition====**

**\*\*(Brezezinski, 12)\*\***

Zbigniew Brzezinski (Robert E. Osgood Professor of American Foreign Policy at the School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University) Foreign Policy "After America" January/February 2012

For if America falters, the world is unlikely to be dominated by a single

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and ubiquity of American power creates order where there would normally be conflict.

**===Contention 3: Relations===**

**====Relations are at a watershed moment – negotiations have forced Japan to pay for Guam ====**

**\*\*Japan Times 3/25/12** ("Japan asked to shell out extra %241 billion over marines~’ transfer to Guam", [[\*\*http://www.japantimes.co.jp/text/nn20120325b2.html //-http://www.japantimes.co.jp/text/nn20120325b2.html //]]\*\*)\*\*

Washington is pushing Tokyo to pay an additional %241 billion over the transfer of

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review proposed that this figure be slashed to just 4,700 marines.

**====Lack of status quo support sends the wrong signal to Japan – funding for Guam infrastructure key ====**

**\*\*Bordallo 5/23** \*\*(Madeleine Z. Bordallo, congresswoman for the United States, representing Guam, 5/23/2012, "STATEMENT ON THE SENATE CUTS TO MILITARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS ON GUAM", http://bordallo.house.gov/press-release/statement-senate-cuts-military-construction-projects-guam)

Congresswoman Madeleine Z. Bordallo today issued the following statement on the Senate Appropriations and

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to satisfy the information requests of Congress including the requirements of section 2207."

**====The plan eases the financial burden on Japan and sends a strong signal of commitment to the buildup====**

**\*\*Calvo 12\*\*** (Eddie Calvo, Governor of the United States territory of Guam, former Senator within the Legislature of Guam, Office of Governor Eddie Baza Calvo, 5/23/12, "NEWS: Calvo Fights for Federal Action on Guam So Buildup Can Start", [[http://governor.guam.gov/2012/05/23/news-calvo-fights-federal-action-guam-buildup-start/-http://governor.guam.gov/2012/05/23/news-calvo-fights-federal-action-guam-buildup-start/]]

The Governor~’s main point – it~’s important for leaders in Washington and Tokyo to recognize

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Tokyo that the U.S. government is serious about this commitment.

**====Only obstacle to cooperation is US funding for Guam ====**

**\*\*Avery and Rinehart 8/3\*\***

Emma Chanlett-Avery, specialist in Asian Affairs, and Iam E. Rinehart, analysts in Asian Affairs, 8/3/12, Congressional Research Service, [[http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/natsec/R42645.pdf-http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/natsec/R42645.pdf]]

Japanese politics have been in a state of flux since 2006, with six different

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troops, known as host nation support, could interfere with the agreement.

**====Reverse-causal – failure to relocate to Guam destroys relations====**

**\*\*Delgado 12\*\*** (Nick Delgado, staff writer for Kuam News, Kuam News—Guam~’s News Network, 6/30/12, "Guam briefing held on Capitol Hill",http://www.kuam.com/story/18921168/2012/06/30/guam-briefing-held-on-capitol-hill)

Congresswoman Madeleine Bordallo gave brief remarks stating Guam plays pivotal roles in the United States~’

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a more serious impact to our critical bilateral relations with the Japan government.

**====Alliance key to solve warming ====**

**\*\*Denmark and Kliman 10\*\*** (Abraham M. and Daniel M., Center for a New American Security, "Cornerstone: A Future Agenda for the U.S.-Japan Alliance", 6-10-2010, http://www.cnas.org/files/documents/publications/USJapanPolicyBrief\_DenmarkKliman\_June2010.pdf ~~[NT~~])

Lastly, the alliance can complement existing initiatives to address "natural security" threats

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alliance confronts, but it constitutes an important future area for alliance cooperation.

**====Warming causes extinction====**

**\*\*Henderson, ~’6.\*\*** Bill, Environmental Scientist, Aug 19, "Runaway Global Warming – Denial," [[http://www.countercurrents.org/cc-henderson190806.htm-http://www.countercurrents.org/cc-henderson190806.htm]].

The scientific debate about human induced global warming is over but policy makers - let

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of most flora and fauna beloved to man in the world we share.

**===Plan Text ===**

**====The Department of Defense should substantially increase investment in transportation infrastructure in Guam.====**

**===Contention 4: Solvency===**

**====The Guam Road Network is crucial – relocation failure inevitable without the plan ====**

**\*\*DoN 10\*\*** (The United States Department of the Navy, on behalf of the Department of Defense, Guam and CNMI Military Relocation – Final Environmental Impact Statement, July 2010, Volume Six: Related Actions – Utilities and Roadway Projects, "CHAPTER 1. PURPOSE OF AND NEED FOR ACTIONS",http://www.guambuildupeis.us/documents/final/volume\_6/Vol\_06\_Ch01\_Purpose\_Of\_and\_Need\_For\_Actions.pdf )

The Guam Road Network (GRN) is proposed to become Guam~’s nonmilitary roadway system

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action is explained in further detail in Section 2.5.1.

**====Realignment will fail without the plan – updated infrastructure is key====**

**\*\*GAO 8\*\*** (Government Accountability Office, "DEFENSE INFRASTRUCTURE Planning Efforts for the Proposed Military Buildup on Guam Are in Their Initial Stages, with Many Challenges Yet to Be Addressed" http://www.dtic.mil/dtic/tr/fulltext/u2/a481050.pdf)

In addition, DOD and government of Guam officials recognize that the island~’s infrastructure is

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, and residential areas is anticipated to increase significantly with the military buildup.