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#### A. Interpretation – a topical aff must increase democracy assistance by a considerable value

#### 1. Increase requires a net increase over the status quo

Judge **Rogers**, June 24, **2005**,

AND

ERC (BNA) 1791, p. Lexis

[\*\*48] Statutory Interpretation. HN16Go to

AND

ago when the engine was in perfect condition.

#### 2. Substantial is 2%

**Word and Phrases 1960**

 'Substantial" means "of real worth

AND

.E. 557, 42 Ohio App.

#### 3. Democracy assistance is the transfer of funds

**Lappin 10** (Richard, Centre for Peace

AND

, Vol 4, Issue 1, 2010)

Democracy assistance can be **most accurately defined** as

AND

society groups, media groups and political parties.

#### B. Violation – the plan fails to spend fifty million dollars, which is 2% of current assistance

**Carothers** **2009** (Thomas – vice president for

AND

S. Democracy Assistance, p. 4)

Over the past 25 years, the United

AND

most important player in the democracy aid domain.

#### C. Vote neg for the best interpretation –

#### 1. Limits – we prevent an explosion of trivial and small affs. Plane tickets, cell phones, exchange programs, and democracy conferences would all be excluded under our definition

#### 2. Ground – the plan is not different than normal fluctuations, eliminating unique disads. The aff should be forced to be significantly different from status quo assistance

### CP

#### Text: The United States Federal Government should propose that the United Nations Democracy Fund Advisory Board substantially increase its material democracy support within Libya, including but not limited to support for peace building efforts. The United States Federal Government should provide all financial and technical assistance for the United Nations Democracy Fund to implement the proposal.

#### Competes –

#### Tests ‘Its’ which is possessive

**English Grammar, 5** (Glossary of English

AND

)

Mine, yours, his, hers,

AND

disk and shows that it belongs to me.)

#### Counterplans that test the resolution are key to predictable ground

#### Solves -

#### US democracy assistance through the UNDEF solves – comparatively more credible

**Piccone, 9** (Theodore J., senior

AND

\_summit\_americas\_piccone.pdf)

Internationalize democracy assistance.

The United States seriously needs to ramp up

AND

requires consultation with its citizens on priority projects.

#### Counterplan is vital to UN credibility – reversing US false multilateralism is key to prevent it from becoming an irrelevant institution

**Deen, 10** (Thalif, “U

AND

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Judging by remarks on opening day, there

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S.-controlled false multilateralism**,** Bennis declared.

#### US engagement with the UN is key to effective multilateralism, preventing terrorism, Iran and North Korean proliferation and stabilizes Afghanistan, Iraq and multiple peacekeeping conflicts

**Brimmer, 11** (Esther - Assistant Secretary

AND

/rm/2011/155854.htm)

So our discussion today is a perfect opportunity

AND

leadership can leverage important contributions by other states.

#### Only multilateral cooperation prevents great power wars that make extinction inevitable

**Dyer, 4** (Gwynne, former senior

AND

, The Toronto Star, p. lexis)

The "firebreak" against nuclear weapons use

AND

then history will repeat itself and **everybody loses**.

### Politics

#### Ex-Im Bank reauthorization will pass—supporters are optimistic

**Martin 3/26/12** (Jim

AND

calls for bank to be reauthorized," lexis)

March 26--GE Transportation has as much

**AND**

**reauthorization passing as a stand-alone measure.**

#### Increasing USIP funds saps Obama’s capital

Smith, 10 (Dane F. - Senior associate at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Building Peace Through Knowledge: The U.S. Institute of Peace, U.S. Peacefare: Organizing American Peace-Building Operations, ABC-CLIO, 2010)

At this point, USIP prestige is riding

AND

wise to ensure the playing field remains open.

#### Capital key to winning support for reauthorization

**Madhani 1/13/12** (Aamer

AND

-republicans-airlines/52523426/1)

WASHINGTON - U.S. exporters and

**AND**

**lobbying efforts to make their case to Congress.**

#### Ex-Im Bank key to US economic leadership – ensures small US companies get the financing necessary to access growth markets

**Snell 3/22/12** (Kelsey

AND

Import Bank on the Firing Line," lexis)

Yet the bank does serve one crucial purpose

**AND**

**American companies that truly need help get it.**

#### Extinction

**Auslin 9** (Michael, Resident Scholar –

AND

.aei.org/article/100187)

What do these trends mean in the short

AND

small explosions that coalesce into a big bang.

### Tradeoff DA

#### Balkans has USAID funding now - key to consolidate stability gains

Rosenblum, 11 (Daniel N., Coordinator of U.S. Assistance to Europe and Eurasia House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Europe and Eurasia, “Testimony of Daniel N. Rosenblum”, April 14, http://foreignaffairs.house.gov/112/Ros041411.pdf)

The 2012 budget request strives to balance this

AND

democracy, and prosperity in the entire region.

#### Democracy assistance funding directly trades off with assistance to the Balkans

Business Week, 2/15 (State Department Budget Bolsters Middle East Aid, Trims Europe, p. http://www.businessweek.com/news/2012-02-15/state-department-budget-bolsters-middle-east-aid-trims-europe.html)

President Barack Obama’s budget seeks $8.

AND

8.7 billion for Iraq and Afghanistan.

#### Balkans instability escalates – draws in great powers

**Paris, 2** (Roland, Assistant Professor

AND

, 117(3), Fall, Proquest)

At this early stage in the Kosovo crisis

AND

Balkan powderkeg, before it is too late.

#### Nuclear war

Chicago Daily Herald, 5/9/**1999** p. lexis

We hear the grim rationale for sending in

AND

in nuclear war and incalculable self-destruction.

**CP**

**The United States Congress should substantially increase the Global Security Contingency Fund and authorize the Department of Defense to transfer all necessary resources to the Department of State to coordinate on democracy assistance projects.**

**The United States Congress should recommend that the Department of Defense transfer all necessary resources to the Department of State to substantially increase the material democracy support of the United States Institute of Peace within Libya.**

**Competes – it doesn’t mandate the plan, it only recommends it**

**Counterplan solves the aff and is key to interagency collaboration**

**Livingston 11** (Thomas K. Livingston Air

AND

/awcgate/crs/r41817.pdf)

One potential means for revised authorities was recently

AND

partners secure their own territories and regions.”220

**Mandated USIP funding increases cause a budget battle with Defense lobbyists**

**Scott 11** (Doug, B.A

AND

)

On Thursday, the House of Representatives passed

AND

scenario that kept Dwight Eisenhower up at night.

**Budgetary Fight spills over – kills inter-agency cooperation**

**Patrick 8** (Stewart, senior fellow and

AND

%20World/WHW\_CH12.pdf)

Create flexible resources for crisis response. The

AND

States and U.S. National Security.

**Coordination key to successful Iraq transition**

**Glenn 11** (John Glenn Policy Director of

AND

)

Among last week’s debates about cutting the budget

AND

this. This is really, really important.”

**That prevents Iraqi escalation**

**Cronin 8** (Patrick M., Director of

AND

/irregular-warfare-new-challeng/)

Success in the highly political and ambiguous conflicts

AND

direction to clarifying the conflated lanes of authority.

**Global nuclear war**

**Corsi 7** (Jerome, Ph.D

AND

.asp?ARTICLE\_ID=53669)

If a broader war breaks out in Iraq

AND

much as World Wars I and II began.

### Case - Aid Now

#### Still needs approval from Congress – won’t happen

Cornwell, 2/13 (Susan, “Obama proposes $800 million in aid for "Arab Spring"”, Reuters, <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/02/13/us-usa-budget-foreign-idUSTRE81C1C920120213>)

(Reuters) - The White House announced

AND

budget shortfalls and are particularly angry at Egypt.

### Peace Building

#### They don’t access peace-building– nothing about the plan massively expands the role of USIP peace building AND their evidence says internal reforms are key

Smith, 10 (Dane F. - Senior associate at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, Building Peace Through Knowledge: The U.S. Institute of Peace, U.S. Peacefare: Organizing American Peace-Building Operations, ABC-CLIO, 2010)

In particular, USIP’s long experience and vast

AND

mounted by State, USAID, and Defense.

***\*\*\*NOTE – CAP = Center for Analysis and Prevention (USIP)\*\*\****

**-- Regional cooperation will prevent escalation**

Innocent and Carpenter 9 (Malou, Foreign

AND

-strategy-exit-afghanistan.pdf)

Additionally, regional stakeholders, especially Russia and

AND

engaging stakeholders may lead to tighter regional security.

#### -- No extinction

Gladwell 99 (Malcolm, The New Republic

AND

Opposing Viewpoints, p. 31-32)

Every infectious agent that has ever plagued humanity

AND

point out the **limitations** of microscopic life forms.

#### -- Disease inevitable

Sky News 8 (“Warning Over Deadly New

AND

-Be-Stopped/Article/200807315047567)

In a highly critical new report, the

AND

for them to spread rapidly throughout the world.

#### -- Environment is resilient

Easterbrook 95 (Gregg, Distinguished Fellow –

AND

A Moment on Earth, p. 25)

In the aftermath of events such as Love

AND

of the magnitude nature is accustomed to resisting.

#### No escalation

**Kang 10 (**David, Professor of International

AND

-new-cold-war-4653)

However, despite dueling artillery barrages and the

AND

to expand the fighting into a general war.

#### Low chance of war now

**Luo 10** (Yuan, Deputy Secretary General

AND

/2010-12/603684.html)

PO: Is there any possibility of a

AND

to deteriorate? What measures would China adopt?

Luo: I suppose local clashes and conflicts

AND

restrained and peaceful way to settle the dispute.

[Continues]

PO: Could you predict the upcoming situation on the Korean Peninsula?

Luo: Conflicts will often occur, but

AND

, yet finally return to the negotiation table.

#### No impact to Pakistani unrest

Stolar 7 (Alex Jr., Peace Fellow

AND

Pakistan for Nuclear Security”, 5-18,

http://www.stimson.org/southasia/?SN=SA200705181263)

It has been a very painful week in

AND

in command and control in the Pakistan Army.

### Case - Obama Doctrine

#### Leading from behind is inevitable –

#### A. Defense cuts

Wehner, 12 (Peter, Senior fellow at the Ethics and Public Policy Center, “The Defense Budget and America’s Decline,” 1/6, <http://www.commentarymagazine.com/2012/01/06/defense-budget-america-decline/>)

There are many salient points to make about

AND

than the defense budget for confirmation of that.

Legro, 11 (Jeffrey W. – professor of politics and Randolph P. Compton Professor in the Miller Center at the University of Virginia, Sell unipolarity? The future of an overvalued concept in International Relations Theory and the Consequences of Unipolarity, p. EBook)

Such a view, however, is problematic

AND

capabilities. Again polarity loses ground in significance.

#### -- Relations resilient

Moravcsik 3 (Andrew, Professor of Government

AND

July/August, Foreign Affairs, Lexis)

Transatlantic optimists are also right when they argue

AND

and fear terrorism and the proliferation of WMD.

#### -- No pandemic or extinction – history proves

Easterbrook 3 (Gregg, Senior Fellow –

AND

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3. Germ warfare!Like chemical agents

AND

it seems unlikely to happen in the future.

#### -- Risk decreasing

New Scientist 8 (7-26, Lexis)

First up for consideration was an act of

AND

licence, they are reported to the authorities.

#### -- Dispersal problems block

Scherer 3 (John L., Editor of

AND

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Chemical, biological, and nuclear (CBN

AND

from this compound would have proved extremely difficult.

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# CP - AT: Perm – Do Both

#### Links to the credibility net benefit -

#### US unilateral action to sidestep the UN undermines credibility on democracy for both actors

**Ives, 4** (David, executive director of the Albert Schweitzer Institute, “Bullying Antagonism”, http://www.quinnipiac.edu/x319.xml)

While there are many possible reasons for these

AND

would be a wise investment in America’s future.

#### Perm undermines UN credibility – engagement can’t be selective

**Crossette, 11** (Barbara, The Nation's United Nations correspondent, “The UN is Essential to US Foreign Policy”, Feb 7, The Interdependent, http://www.theinterdependent.com/blogs/bc-on-the-un/110207/the-un-is-essential-to-us-foreign-policy-an-obama-official-stresses)

As Republicans in the House of Representatives gear

AND

remains essential to achieving US foreign policy goals.”

## CP - Proper

#### Joint US assistance with international organizations revitalizes its credibility on democracy

**Katulis, 9** (Brian, Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress, “Democracy Promotion in the Middle East and the Obama Administration”, A Century Foundation Report, http://tcf.org/publications/pdfs/pb681/Katulis.pdf)

President Obama will have a brief window of

AND

in the Middle East views the United States.

#### Counterplan perceived as US leadership on democracy

**Piccone, 8** (Theodore J., senior fellow and deputy director for Foreign Policy Studies at the Brookings Institution and an adviser to the Club of Madrid, “Democracies: In a League of their Own? Lessons Learned from the Community of Democracies”, Brookings Policy Paper, Number 8, October 2008, http://www.brookings.edu/~/media/Files/rc/papers/2008/10\_democracy\_piccone/10\_democracy\_piccone.pdf)

In terms of activities, largely through the

AND

thereby qualifies to sit on its advisory board.

#### UN key to peacebuilding efforts around the world

Barbalić 11 (Ivan, President of the UN Security Council, “Presidential Statement of the United Nations Security Council on Post-Conflict Peace Building: Institution Building,” January 2011,

<http://www.bhmisijaun.org/BiH-Presidency-of-the-UN-SC-Press-Room/presidential-statement-of-the-unsc-on-post-conflict-peace-building-institution-building.html>)

The Security Council recalls the previous Statements of

AND

development, with a view to sustainable peace.

#### Now is key - UN engagement with the Arab Spring is key to restore credibility

**Alsoswa, 11** (Amat Al Alim, Assistant Secretary-General and Assistant Administrator, Regional Director,Regional Bureau for Arab States, United Nations Development Programme, “Strategy of Response to Transformative Change

Championed by Youth in the Arab Region”, April 11, http://204.200.211.31/Update\_April%202011/UNDP%20Strategy%20of%20Response%20to%20Transformative%20Changes%20in%20the%20Arab%20Region-Final%20(2).pdf)

Positioning UNDP effectively in the context of the

AND

region to ensure an inclusive and peaceful transition.

# CP - AT: Alt Caus – UN Dues

#### Obama paid back UN dues – gives US influence within the UN

**Brimmer, 11**(No longer can our adversaries at the UN, Feb 2, http://blog.heritage.org/2011/02/02/self-delusion-at-state-on-u-n-reform/)

How could we have won tough Security Council

from allies, partners, and others for achieving our goals at the United Nations.

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### Case - Obama Doctrine

#### -- \*Israel/Palestine conflict has never escalated – there’s no evidence for their impact

Satloff 6 (Robert, Executive Director –

AND

/templateC05.php?CID=2549)

The report's greatest analytical leap of faith is

AND

because it is the right thing to do.

### Case - Peace Building

#### -- Afghan stability resilient

Robichaud 7 (Carl, Program Officer –

AND

/publications/internationalaffairs/RobichaudWPJ.pdf)

Afghanistan is increasingly seen as Iraq in slow

AND

many of their constituents believe they already have.

#### -- Environment strong and improving – their authors lie

Dutton 1 (Dr. Dennis, Professor

AND

&node=& contentId=A12789-2001Oct18)

That the human race faces environmental problems is

AND

unchallenged into the folklore of environmental disaster scenarios.

### Politics - Impact – 2NC

#### DA outweighs the case –

#### A) Magnitude – escalates to nuclear war that draws in other great powers. That’s Auslin

#### B) Probability – economic collapse increases the probability of escalation.

Beardon 00 (T.E., Director

AND

.com/EnergyCrisis-Bearden.htm)

History bears out that desperate nations take desperate

AND

the biosphere, at least for many decades.

#### Economic downturn causes the U.S. to withdraw from democracy engagement in the Middle East.

**Bacevich**, 2/27/**2011** (

AND

-on-your-hands.html)

Then came the financial crisis of 2008.

AND

that decades of American folly had helped create.

### Politics - Will Pass

#### Ex-Im Bank reauthorization will pass – industry insiders are confident

**Edmondson 3/26/12** (RG

AND

, "Banking on an Extension," lexis)

Congress is considering whether to renew the bank's

**AND**

**bank will get a new charter this year.**

#### Ex-Im Bank reauthorization will pass—GOP and administration officials concede votes for support are there

**Inside US Trade 3/23/12**

AND

AFTER SENATE DEFEAT OF REAUTHORIZATION BILL," lexis)

Conservative Republicans, fueled by small-government

**AND**

**garner as many as 80 to 85 votes.**

### Politics - Capital Key Extensions

#### Spillover applies - Ex-Im bank reauthorization is inextricably linked to fights over spending

**Barkley 2/23/12** (Tom

AND

-CO-20120223-715321.html)

The **reauthorization has** also **become tied up in**

AND

support reauthorization will be noted on its scorecard.

The bank's supporters dismiss such labels, noting

AND

-funding and regularly returns money to taxpayers.

#### Capital key to securing support for Ex-Im Bank reauthorization

**Mandelbaum 3/19/12 (**Robb

AND

-called-small-business-bill/)

The other vote that Mr. Reid has

AND

now that the House has voted so decisively.

### Politics - A2 Uniqueness Thumpers

#### Issues only cost capital once they reach the finish line.

**Drum**, 3/10/**2010** (

AND

/immigration-coming-back-burner)

Not to pick on Ezra or anything,

AND

Maybe not. But they will be soon.

#### Your thumpers don’t thump the DA – Ex-Im Bank reauthorization IS Obama’s top priority in the coming months

**Condon 3/25/12** (George

AND

AM, "Running Against Congress," lexis)

When President Obama hosted lunch in his private

**AND**

**reauthorization** now that the STOCK Act has cleared.

### Politics - Link Debate

#### The House overwhelmingly voted last year to eliminate USIP entirely – proves massive opposition exists

PR Log, 11 (“Institute for Peace Budget Cut by Congress: Zero Funding for U.S. Institute of Peace”, Feb 19, http://www.prlog.org/11314776-institute-for-peace-budget-cut-by-congress-zero-funding-for-us-institute-of-peace.html)

Washington D.C. (Feb.

AND

. “The USIP funding must be restored.”

#### Even if there is some support – this proves there would at least be a massive fight over the plans approval

No support in Congress – they think USIP lacks a constituency

Mallozzi, 11 (Emily, “Urgent Action Needed on USIP Funding”, Feb 23, Alliance for Peacebuilding, http://www.allianceforpeacebuilding.org/news/59252/AfP-Members-and-Partner-Organizations-Urgent-Action-Needed-on-USIP-Fun.htm)

The House of Representatives vote to eliminate funding

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and that USIP is fundamental to that cause.

#### More evidence – no support in Congress for USIP

McCarthy, 11 (Colman, former columnist for The Washington Post, directs the Center for Teaching Peace, “A peacemaker’s case against the U.S. Institute of Peace”, March 18, http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/a-peacemakers-case-against-the-us-institute-of-peace/2011/03/15/ABPznLs\_story\_2.html)

The trouble is, neither Congress nor presidents

AND

programs of social uplift is approaching spiritual death.”

#### Controversial wins bleed momentum not build it.

**Politico**, 1/20/**2010** (

AND

=4DF829C9-18FE-70B2-A8381A971FA3FFC9)

Obama believed that early success would be self

AND

legislative battle on Capitol Hill over health care.

#### Wins don’t spill over. Climate proves.

**Hertzberg**, 2/7/**2011** (

AND

\_talk\_hertzberg?printable=true)

Strong words. But now they are not

AND

its immediate manifestations, was more like **Kryptonite**.

#### Winners win not true for Obama – must be large, popular and on economic issue

**Kuttner 11** (Robert, co-founder

AND

\_obamas\_theory\_of\_power)

Obama won more legislative trophies during his first

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See this month’s special report on page A1.)

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### Politics – A2: Winners Win

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