## IHAS ADVANTAGE

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#### Other countries are pressing for international Medicare access – expanding Medicare to Mexico opens the door for other international health agreements (IHAs)

Forbes, ‘9 – Business journal, “Medicare In Mexico,” Sept 4, <http://www.forbes.com/2009/09/04/mexico-medicare-retirees-personal-finance-health-care.html>. //BR

The U.S. government should pick up the cost of health care for

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U.S. Congress to get Medicare accepted south of the border.

Demonstrating success is key – the plan is the largest Medicare demo project ever, and spills over to broader international coverage

AARO, ‘9 – Association of American Residents Overseas, Americans for Medicare in Mexico, A.C. (AMMAC) is a legally constituted Mexican non-profit organization dedicated to bringing Medicare coverage to eligible seniors living in Mexico. “Support sought for Demonstration Project for Medicare coverage in Mexico,” <http://aaro.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=144:aaro-endorses-proposal-for-medicare-demonstration-project-in-mexico&catid=23:medicare&Itemid=27>. //BR

Demonstration Projects are the limited-scale experiments that Medicare undertakes to test innovations in

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Mexico, working out any difficulties encountered, and gradually extend benefits ANYWHERE.”

#### TWO IMPACTS –

#### FIRST, LATIN AMERICA –

#### New health agreements immediately transform US-Latin America relations – the plan is a low-cost, low-profile down payment

Oppenheimer, ’10 – Andres, syndicated columnist and former Pulitzer prize winner (1987), “Commentary: Can U.S. medical tourists, retirees ease Mexico's woes?” Apr 21, McClatchy DC, [http://www.mcclatchydc.com/2010/04/21/92515/commentary-can-us-medical-tourists.html#.UdPjjfk3u8A#storylink=cpy](http://www.mcclatchydc.com/2010/04/21/92515/commentary-can-us-medical-tourists.html#.UdPjjfk3u8A). //BR

So what will Calderon specifically propose to Obama? Most likely, the Mexican president

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, health care agreements will be the big deal of the coming decade.

#### The NSA scandal has US-Latin America relations at a critical turning point, but new sources of trade can supersede ideological disputes

Gonzalez et al, 10-7-13 – LUISA PARRAGUEZ/FRANCISCO G. GONZALES/JOSKUA TADEO, “Anti-US in words, not deeds,” Hurriyet Daily News, reprinted from the Khaleej Times. <http://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/anti-us-in-words-not-deeds.aspx?pageID=449&nID=55782&NewsCatID=396>. //BR

The Latin American blogosphere held its breath when Bolivian President Evo Morales’s airplane was forced

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trump Latin America’s heavy flows of trade with the world’s most powerful economy.

#### Latin American relations solve stability

Hakim 6 (Peter Hakim, “Is Washington Losing Latin America?” *Foreign Affairs,* January/February 2006, http://www.chileconsult.com/Is\_Washington\_Losing\_Latin\_America.pdf)

Despite their disagreements and dissatisfaction with U.S. policy in the region,

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have demonstrated neither the wil nor the ability to travel that road together.

#### Latin American instability causes war and exacerbates the worst effects of offshore balancing

Rochlin 94 James Francis, Professor of Political Science at Okanagan University College, “Discovering the Americas: the evolution of Canadian foreign policy towards Latin America,” p. 130-131.

While there were economic motivations for Canadian policy in Central America, security considerations were

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, such as Contadora, as will be discussed in the next chapter.

#### SECOND, MODELING –

#### Specifically, Europe would be next because of rock-bottom health care prices

Hylton, ‘9 – Hilary, “Medicare Savings: Is the Answer in Mexico?,” TIME, Oct 23, [http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0,8599,1931559,00.html](http://www.time.com/time/nation/article/0%2C8599%2C1931559%2C00.html).//BR

Resistance to the expansion of Medicare to Mexico is coming from some health-care

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like China and Eastern Europe where health-care costs are rock bottom.

That boosts growth – U.S. retirees contribute billions to GDP – EU coordination is particularly effective because of their expertise in health care portability

CSIS, No date – Center for Strategic and International Studies, “Medicare in Mexico,” <http://csis.org/blog/medicare-mexico>. //BR

This topic has not gone unnoticed in Mexico or the United States. In Mexico

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example when considering how to extend Medicare benefits to retirees living in Mexico.

#### The Eurozone is headed for an historically unparalleled collapse – it’s try or die – protracted downturn ensures there’s no hope of recovery now

Bishop, 11-5 – Katrina Bishop, Deputy News Editor, CNBC.com “EU Commission cuts euro zone growth forecasts for 2014,” http://www.cnbc.com/id/101159474

Euro zone unemployment will remain near its record high for the next two years amid

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Bank (ECB) to cut interest rates when it meets on Thursday.

#### **Eurozone collapse causes World War 3**

Gommes, 11 -- former Columbia Law Review senior editor

(Thomas, publisher of Periscope Post, former corporate lawyer, "Eurozone in crisis: The death of the euro could trigger World War III," 12-9-11, www.periscopepost.com/2011/12/eurozone-in-crisis-the-death-of-the-euro-could-trigger-world-war-iii/, accessed 10-23-12, )

Eurozone in crisis: The death of the euro could trigger World War III The

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solution to problems, or at minimum an acceptable response to perceived slights.