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## Plan

#### Plan: The United States Federal Government should substantially increase its financial assistance to Mexico for state and local judicial and civilian police reform.

## Rule of Law Adv.

#### Current insecurity and uncertain legal institutions risk reversing economic and political reform – establishing a firmer rule of law is key

O’Neil 13

Shannon K. O’Neil, senior fellow of Latin America studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, 13 [“TWO NATIONS INDIVISIBLE: MEXICO, THE UNITED STATES,

AND THE ROAD AHEAD,” Chapter 1: “MEXICO AT THE CROSSROAD,” Oxford University Press, http://www.cfr.org/mexico/two-nations-indivisible/p29765?excerpt=1]

**Overlooked, underreported, and at times even blatantly ignored in the¶ United States is the**

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takes will have far-reaching repercussions¶ for the United States.

#### Defeating the cartels is possible but effective reform of law enforcement is key

Bonner ‘10

(ROBERT C. BONNER is Senior Principal of the Sentinel HS Group. He was Administrator of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration from 1990 to 1993 and Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection from 2001 to 2005. “The New Cocaine Cowboys¶ How to Defeat Mexico's Drug Cartels.” July/August 2010 Foreign Affairs Issue. *Foreign Affairs.* <http://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/66472/robert-c-bonner/the-new-cocaine-cowboys>. EJW.)

¶ The recent headlines from Mexico are disturbing: U.S. consular official gunned down in broad

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enforcement institutions to counter them, and the demand for illegal drugs in the United States.¶ ¶

#### Failure to establish democratic rule of law through reforming cops and courts leads to continuation of violence—US cooperative engagement is key to solve

O’Neil ‘13

Shannon K. O’Neil, senior fellow of Latin America studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, 13 [“TWO NATIONS INDIVISIBLE: MEXICO, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE ROAD AHEAD,” book, April 4, 2013]

Along with the economy, Mexicans biggest worry today is security. Midday¶ gunfi ghts, brazen

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government hopes to stem the¶ current bloody tide.

Mexican institutionalism sets a model for all of Latin America – that’s the key factor in strengthening security in the region

ICG 13 [“Peña Nieto’s Challenge: Criminal Cartels and Rule of Law in Mexico,” International Crisis Group, Latin American Report 48, March 19, pdf]

Mexico faces a Herculean challenge. The government has to fight cartel murder squads¶ who

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could provide lessons for the rest of the Latin American region and other¶ parts of the world besieged by crime and violence.

#### That Instability generates conflict and war, leads to spirals of governance failure that exacerbates violence of all types

Manwaring ‘5,

(General Douglas MacArthur Chair and Prof of Military Strategy @ U.S. Army War College, Ret U.S. Army Colonel, Adjunct Professor of International Politics @ Dickinson College (Max G, October, Venezuela’s Hugo Chavez, Bolivarian Socialism, and Asymmetric Warfare”, Strategic Studies Institute, <http://www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil/pdffiles/PUB628.pdf>)

At the same time, President Chávez’s approach to Latin American security and stability requires a realignment from capitalist

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they and their associated problems endanger global security, peace, and prosperity.

#### Anti-americanism and unilateral military policies are decimating US legitimacy, threating the American international system – that causes excess interventions and great power wars

Kupchan ‘12

(Charles Kupchan has a Ph.D. in international relations from Oxford, Associate Professor of International Relations @Georgetown, Senior Fellow and Director of Europe Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations. “Sorry, Mitt: It Won't Be an American Century”, FEBRUARY 6, 2012, http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2012/02/06/it\_won\_t\_be\_an\_american\_century?page=0,2)

In an election season, such talk rolls easily off the tongue. But Romney's hackneyed rhetoric is woefully out of step -- both with an American electorate

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guiding a more diverse and unwieldy globe to consensus and cooperation.

#### A strong Mexico would boost multilateral cooperation – a collapse would cause international fallout

O’Neil ’13 2013, Shannon K. O’Neil is a senior fellow for Latin America Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations (CFR) a nonpartisan foreign-policy think tank and membership organization, “Two Nations Indivisible”, it’s a book  
Mexico’s Crossroads After nearly three transformative decades, Mexico is still in the midst

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path Mexico takes will have far-reaching repercussions for the United States.

#### Strong US multilateral leadership and approaches are key to successful HFC amendment adoption—China proves

Meek et al. ‘13

(Kristin Meek is an Associate in the Climate and Energy Program at the World Resources Institute. Kristin holds a B.S. in environmental studies from Gettysburg College and a Master of Environmental Management degree from Duke University, where she focused on global environmental change. Jonathan Moch holds an AB from the Department of Geosciences and from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University, with minors in Environmental Studies and Chinese Language and Culture. During his summers, Jonathan worked at NOAA’s Geophysical Fluid Dynamics Laboratory and studied Mandarin at Beijing Normal University. “3 Big Takeaways from the New Global Commitment to Phase Down HFCs.” *World Resources Institute.* 7/6/2013. <http://www.wri.org/blog/3-big-takeaways-new-global-commitment-phase-down-hfcs>. EJW. 3/16/2014.)

¶ ¶ International climate action took an encouraging step forward today. President Obama reached agreements with the G-20 and

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change. Today’s events could serve as inspiration for scaling up international ambition.

#### HFC phase-down has support but getting India on board is key to success

Doniger ‘13

(David Doniger is the policy director of the Natural Resources Defense Council's (NRDC) Climate and Clean Air Program, and our chief global warming lawyer. He rejoined NRDC in March 2001 after serving for eight years in the Clinton administration, where he was director of climate change policy at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and, before that, counsel to the head of the EPA's clean air program. He also served for a year at the Council on Environmental Quality “Mixed Signals and Missed Opportunities as India Puts the Brakes on HFC Phase-Down Talks.” Switchboard is the staff blog of the Natural Resources Defense Council Group. <http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/ddoniger/mixed_signals_and_missed_oppor.html>. 10/29/13. EJW. 3/16/2014.)

After a summer of diplomatic progress at the level of presidents and prime ministers,

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out the technical, financial and other issues involved in negotiating an HFC phase-down.

#### Successful HFC phasedown through the Montreal Protocol is key to solving climate change—increasing super greenhouse emissions accelerate climate change—causes extinction

Lefton et al ‘13

(Rebecca Lefton is a Senior Policy Analyst at American Progress, specializing in international climate change policy and sustainable development. She develops policy positions and strategizes campaigns to advance public awareness and understanding of international energy and climate issues, and directs legislative and advocacy initiatives. She represents American Progress at global conferences, including the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development. She holds a master’s degree in public policy from the Harris School of Public Policy at the University of Chicago, where she was an academic chair for women in public policy. Ben Bovarnick graduated from the University of Rochester with a bachelor of arts in chemistry and political science and is originally from Oakland, California. “Top 5 Reasons to Phase Down HFCs in the Montreal Protocol.” Center for American Progress. <http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/green/news/2013/10/23/77798/top-5-reasons-to-phase-down-hfcs-in-the-montreal-protocol/>. 10/23/2013. EJW. 3/16/2014.)

In 1974, scientists first warned that chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, used for aerosols in

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take advantage of the existing Montreal Protocol and leverage its prior success in the fight to curb HFCs.

#### Global warming is anthropogenic and will cause extinction—consensus of scientists agree

Hansen ‘12

James Hansen, PHD, director of the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies, May 9, 2012, “Game Over for the Climate”, <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/05/10/opinion/game-over-for-the-climate.html?_r=1&partner=rssnyt&emc=rss>,

GLOBAL warming isn’t a prediction. It is happening. That is why I was so troubled to read a

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and be judged immoral by coming generations.

#### Multilat solves war—leads to greater power-sharing and international cooperation, resolving conflict

**Pouliot 11** — Professor of Political Science at McGill University (Vincent Pouliot, “Multilateralism as an End in Itself,” International Studies Perspectives (2011) 12, 18–26)//NG

Because it rests on open, nondiscriminatory debate, and the routine exchange of viewpoints, the multilateral procedure introduces

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benefits that further strengthen the impetus for multilateral dialog. Pg. 21-23

#### Multilateralism is a credible alternative – it promotes band-wagoning and international coalitions among US allies, strengthening the US-led system and reviving legitimacy

Ikenberry and Kupchan 04

Ikenberry and Kupchan 04 – (John Ikenberry and Charles Kupchan, “Liberal Realism: The Foundations of a Democratic Foreign Policy,” National Interest (Fall 2004))

It is misguided, however, to assume that America's preponderant power, when combined with an assertive unilateralism, promotes stability as a matter of course. As the record

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abroad and to make disaffected allies again feel like stakeholders in the international system.

## Relations Adv.

#### Rhetoric is cheap, **action** now is key - US and Mexican engagement is inevitable, it’s a question of whether we change our partnership to jointly focus on democratic consolidation on a local level or maintain our current policy of bigger walls and more boots on the ground

Shannon K. O’Neil, senior fellow of Latin America studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, 13 [“TWO NATIONS INDIVISIBLE: MEXICO, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE ROAD AHEAD,” book, April 4, 2013]

Even as the United States and Mexico reap the benefi ts of deeper economic¶ integration, they

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as a permanent¶ and strategic partner **rather than an oft -forgott en neighbor.**

#### US-Mexico law enforcement and judicial system partnerships sustain and strengthen bilateral cooperation

Senate Foreign Relations Committee ‘12

(*JUDICIAL AND POLICE REFORMS IN MEXICO: ESSENTIAL BUILDING BLOCKS FOR A LAWFUL SOCIETY¶ A MAJORITY STAFF REPORT PREPARED FOR THE USE OF THE¶ COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS UNITED STATES SENATE¶ ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH CONGRESS SECOND SESSION.* Page 11-12.

JULY 9, 2012. EJW.)

FUTURE OF BILATERAL SECURITY COOPERATION¶ The United States should continue its strong

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the success of this vitally important cooperative effort.

#### **Effective security cooperation is critical to and spills over to broader relations—outweighs alt causes—**

Schaefer 13

(Agnes Bereben Schaefer is a senior political scientist at the nonprofit, nonpartisan RAND Corp.“Schaefer: If U.S.-Mexico get security right, other good policy will follow”, Chronicle. <http://www.chron.com/opinion/outlook/article/Schaefer-If-U-S-Mexico-get-security-right-4554703.php>. May 28, 2013. EJW.)

¶ When President Barack Obama traveled to Mexico recently, many rushed to conclude that

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together in security today, they may find themselves with far more opportunities for broader cooperation tomorrow.

#### US-Mexico relations are key to solve cyber-security threats – engagement is key

Downie ‘11

Downie, Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, National Defense University, 11  
(Dr. Richard, deputy director and fellow with the CSIS Africa Program, master’s degree in international public policy from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, "Critical Strategic Decisions in Mexico: the Future of US/Mexican Defense Relations," July 2011, <http://chds.dodlive.mil/files/2013/12/pub-OP-downie1.pdf>. EJW.)

2). Impact on US/Mexico Defense Relationship.¶ The “stay the course” option would potentially offer an additional “sexenio” during which the US¶ and Mexican militaries could

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reduction in the stigma and barriers to a closer US/Mexico defense relationship arising from our past history.

#### Cyber-security is vital to prevent accidental escalatory nuclear war – multiple warrants

Fritz 9

(Jason Fritz has a Masters in International Relations, Researcher for International Commission on Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament and is a former Captain of the U.S. Army. “Hacking Nuclear Command and Control.” http://icnnd.org/Documents/Jason\_Fritz\_Hacking\_NC2.pdf. Page 17-18. 2009. EJW.)

The US uses the two-man rule to achieve a higher level of security in nuclear affairs. Under this rule two authorized personnel must be present and in agreement during critical

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confusion of mass DDoS attacks, real world protests, and accusations between governments.

#### Cyberwar outweighs on timeframe—15 minutes and is comparative to a nuclear war Spillius 10

(Alex Spillius, The Telegraph's Washington Correspondent. “Cyber attack 'could fell US within 15 minutes.” The Telegraph. May 7, 2010, <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/northamerica/usa/7691500/Cyber-attack-could-fell-US-within-15-minutes.html>. EJW.)

Richard Clarke claims that America's lack of preparation for the annexing of its computer

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more tolerant of government interference, is far better prepared than its giant ally across the Atlantic.

#### Escalation would kill billions

Forrow ’98 (Lachlan Forrow, MD, et al, "Accidental Nuclear War – A Post-Cold War Assessment", New England Journal of Medicine, page 5, 1998, iis-db.stanford.edu/pubs/20625/acciden\_nuke\_war.pdf. EJW.)

Public health professionals now recognize that many, if not ¶ most, injuries and deaths from

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direct and ¶ indirect casualties worldwide.4

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#### **Counter-interpretation—both conditional and unconditional engagement are topical**

Haass 2K (Richard Haass, Vice President and Director of Foreign Policy Studies at the Brookings Institution, “Engaging Problem Countries”, June 2000, <http://dspace.cigilibrary.org/jspui/bitstream/123456789/18245/1/Engaging%20Problem%20Countries.pdf>, ZS)

Engagement as a policy is not merely the antithesis of isolation. Rather, it involves the use of

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society in hopes of creating an environment more conducive to reform.

#### **QPQ’s aren’t engagement**

Smith 5 (Karen Smith, Senior Lecturer in International Relations, “Engagement and conditionality: incompatible or mutually reinforcing?”, <http://scholar.googleusercontent.com/scholar?q=cache:8-3RqE0TzFMJ:scholar.google.com/+engagement+positive+incentives+bilateralandhl=enandas_sdt=0>, ZS)

First, a few definitions. ‘Engagement’ is a foreign policy strategy of building close ties with the

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conditionality more of a top-down strategy.

## RUL Adv.

#### lack of leadership, investment, momentum plague effective implementation of 2008 reforms—

Shirk ‘10

(David A. Shirk. 'Justice Reform in Mexico: Change and Challenges in the Judicial Sector', Working Paper, Mexico Institute, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and Trans-Border Institute, University of San Diego. 2010.

<http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Chapter%207-%20Justice%20Reform%20in%20Mexico,%20Change%20and%20Challenges%20in%20the%20Judicial%20Sector.pdf>. EJW.)

The scope and scale of change contemplated under the 2008 judicial reforms is enormous.

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on-going judicial sector reforms.

## Multilat Adv.

## Relations Adv.

#### Retaliation to cyber-attack escalates to global nuclear war

Lawson 9 (Sean - assistant professor in the Department of Communication at the University of Utah, Cross-Domain Response to Cyber Attacks and the Threat of Conflict, , 5/13/2009, http://www.seanlawson.net/?p=477 )

At a time when it seems impossible to avoid the seemingly growing hysteria over the threat of

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of a lethal agent is regarded with the same or greater seriousness.” [7]

## Sea turtles CP

Mexico says no and CP kills relations—Mexico hates Merída conditions—2008 proves—default to specificity

McKinley ‘08

(JAMES C. McKINLEY Jr. “Conditions on U.S. Aid in Drug Fight Anger Mexico.” The New York Times. <http://www.nytimes.com/2008/06/07/world/americas/07mexico.html?pagewanted=print>. EJW. 6/7/2008.)

MEXICO CITY — **Few slights irk Mexican politicians** so much **as when Washington treats Mexico**

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asked for unilateral aid from America, but a partnership in fighting crime.

#### US-Mexican relations key to solve air power- Katrina proves

FERNANDEZ 09- LIEUTENANT COLONEL at the United States Air Force, (Greg, “MEXICO AND TRILATERAL¶ AIR DEFENSE, IS NORAD¶ THE ANSWER?”, Feb. 20th, 2009, U.S. Army War College, <http://www.dtic.mil/cgi-bin/GetTRDoc?AD=ADA498049&Location=U2&doc=GetTRDoc.pdf>, //CJD)

On the other hand, Americans tend to have a short historical memory. For U.S.¶ citizens, the US

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amendments to the Constitution.

#### Air superiority checks Russian expansionism

**Bartels 9**

[Clay, Major, USAF, “How The USAF Can Lose The Next War Losing Air Superiority,” April<http://www.dtic.mil/dtic/tr/fulltext/u2/a540193.pdf>]

A resurgent Russia flexed her muscles in 2008 by invading a nation friendly to America,

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States military withdrawing and not accomplishing national objectives.

#### Extinction

**Israelyan 98**

[Victor, Soviet Ambassador and Arms Control Negotiator, Washington Quarterly, Winter, Lexis]

The first and by far most dangerous possibility is what I call the power scenario. Supporters of this option would, in the name of a "united and

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until we all fall down together." n12

#### US commitment and certainty to institutional reform in Mexico is key to spur reform implementation solvency—only plan solves

Olson ‘13

(Eric L. **Olson**Associate Director of the Latin American Program at the Woodrow Wilson Institute The Future of U.S.-Mexico Security Collaboration Jan **2013** New Ideas for a New Era: Policy Options for the Next Stage in U.S.-Mexico Relations. Page 20-21. <http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/new_ideas_us_mexico_relations.pdf>. EJW.)

For the United States: A long-term commitment to supporting institutional reform in Mexico;

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and is fully implemented.

#### No NB—collapse – adaptation and functional redundancy.

Doremus, Berkeley Law, 2K [Holly, Law Professor – Cal Berkeley, 57 Wash & Lee L. Rev. 11, L/N]

Reluctant to concede such losses, tellers of the ecological horror story highlight how close a

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Redundancy means that a high proportion of species can be lost without precipitating a collapse. N217

## 2AC China SOI

1. America inevitable

Valencia 6/24 (Robert Valencia, writer for World Policy, “US and China: The Fight for Latin America”, 6/24/13, <http://www.worldpolicy.org/blog/2013/06/24/us-and-china-fight-latin-america>, zs)

The United States hasn’t lost Latin America, and is unlikely to lose it completely. It is still the

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Latin America.

1. Relation’s non-existent

Devonshire-Ellis 6/7 Chris principal and founding partner of Dezan Shira & Associates. The firm provides investment legal and cross border tax advice to mid-cap MNCs from the United States and Europe into China and Asia “China & Mexico Talk of Strategic Partnership Deal, But Much Remains to be Done” China Briefing <http://www.china-briefing.com/news/2013/06/07/china-mexico-talk-of-strategic-partnership-deal-but-much-remains-to-be-done.html#sthash.3CaRooza.dpuf>

These sorts of meetings, in my opinion, are an excuse for political grandstanding and media

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rates back in China.

1. Not zero sum

Xiaoxia 5/6 (Wang, Staff Writer for the Economic Observer. “In America's Backyard: China's Rising Influence In Latin America” 5/6/13 http://worldcrunch.com/china-2.0/in-america-039-s-backyard-china-039-s-rising-influence-in-latin-america/foreign-policy-trade-economy-investments-energy/c9s11647/)

For South America, China and the United States, this is not a zero-sum game, but a multiple

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United States has accumulated over two centuries in the region.

1. No tradeoff

Shaiken 13 (Harley, Prof in the Center for Latin American Studies at UC-Berkeley. And Enrique Peters – Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Miami. China and the New Triangular Relationships in the Americas: China and the Future of US-Mexico Relations, Pg 7-8)

The analysis of Ping Wang highlights that in the Mexico-US-China triangular trade relationship, the

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of China and the United States (where the US, for example, views China as a threat).

1. China engagement causes Dutch disease in Latin America – kills growth

O'Neil 12 (Shannon K., Senior Fellow for Latin America Studies, “October 26, 2012, <http://blogs.cfr.org/oneil/2012/10/26/chinas-economic-role-in-latin-america/>)

The downsides also exist. These same imports that make consumers happy hit the economy at AND

middle class.

2AC Iran Politics

No impact and no escalation

Graham 7 (Thomas Graham, senior advisor on Russia in the US National Security Council staff 2002-2007, 2007, "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 “Russia has at different

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term relations with Russia.

#### **Russia scuttles the deal – it won’t pass**

Brett 3/19 (Brett LoGiurato, Business Insider Staff Writer, “Russia Warns It May Play The 'Iran Card' Over Ukraine Sanctions”, <http://www.businessinsider.com/russia-iran-shift-ukraine-sanctions-obama-putin-crimea-2014-3>, ZS)

A senior Russian diplomat signaled a possible shift Wednesday in Russia's position on the

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any harsh sanctions or other measures on Russia in response to its moves in Ukraine.

#### **Iran deal won’t succeed – bipartisan opposition to Obama’s plan**

Rubin 3/19 (Jennifer Rubin, Staff Writer for the Washington Post, “Congress nearly unanimous in its dismay over Obama’s Iran policy”, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/right-turn/wp/2014/03/19/congress-nearly-unanimous-in-its-dismay-over-obamas-iran-policy/>, ZS)

Significant majorities in the House and Senate do not trust the president when it comes to

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at our own peril.”

#### **CIR thumps the disadvantage – Obama is going all in**

Calvillo 3/18 (Jorge Calvillo, Staff Writer for the Latino Times, “Immigration Reform News 2014: Obama Promises Latinos to Pressure to Achieve Immigration Reform”, <http://www.latinospost.com/articles/34970/20140318/2014-immigration-reform-news-obama-promises-latinos-to-pressure-to-achieve-immigration-reform.htm>, ZS)

President Barack Obama promised to talk to the Department of Homeland security to make

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makes clear the growing disappointment the Hispanic community feels towards the President.

#### Merída Initiative has bipartisan support—increased security response and reforms popular

Barry ‘11

(Tom Barry is a senior policy analyst and director of CIP's TransBorder Project, Barry specializes in immigration policy, homeland security, border security, and the outsourcing of national security. He co-founded the International Relations Center (IRC), and joined CIP in 2007. He has authored or co-authored more than twenty books on Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean, food aid, the United Nations, free trade and U.S. foreign policy. Center for International Policy. “Aiding Insecurity: Four Years of Mexico's Drug War and Merida Initiative.” <http://www.ciponline.org/research/html/aiding-insecurity-four-years-of-mexicos-drug-war-and-merida-initiative>. 7/1/2011. EJW.)

**Within the U**nited **S**tates, **there is broad bipartisan support for the Merida Initiative**, Mexico’s

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Calderón’s drug war, that these efforts will be cut short after Calderón leaves office at the end of next year.

## 2AC Lesbian Separatism K

#### Simulated economic engagement debates inculcate public dialogue that enables structural change

Julia Sweig, Nelson and David Rockefeller Senior Fellow for Latin America Studies and Director for Latin America Studies, and Shannon O'Neil Senior Fellow for Latin America Studies, 13 [“Latin America Studies Program,” 2013, [http://www.cfr.org/projects/south-africa/latin-america-studies-program/pr1039](http://www.cfr.org/projects/south-africa/latin-america-studies-program/pr1039" \t "_blank)]

The first decade of the 21st century gave Latin America much to celebrate. Open markets and largely

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Brazil, Mexico, Globalization and Democracy, and Cuba

#### Role of the ballot is to evaluate consequences before ethical justifications

**Isaac 2** – Professor of Political Science, Indiana (Jeffrey, “Ends, Means and Politics,” Dissent 49.2, p 35-6, ebsco)

As writers such as Niccolo Machiavelli, Max Weber, Reinhold Niebuhr, and Hannah Arendt have taught, an unyielding concern with

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are not true believers. It promotes arrogance. And it undermines political effectiveness.

#### Preventing extinction is the first ethical priority—this evidence is comparative to their impacts

Ochs 2 (Richard DC Black Panther, president of the Aberdeen Proving Ground Superfund Citizens Coalition, member of the Depleted Uranium Task force of the Military Toxics Project and a member of the Chemical Weapons Working Group. After completing a course in Atomic and Nuclear Physics at Muhlenberg College, he transferred to the University of Maryland, where he had a split major in history and political science. He was a founding member of the Students for a Democratic Society at College Park, June 9th, “BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS MUST BE ABOLISHED IMMEDIATELY”, <http://www.freefromterror.net/other_articles/abolish.html>,)

Potentially worse than that, bio-engineered agents by the hundreds with no known cure could wreck even greater

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us. The game is over. If patriotism would extinguish humanity, then patriotism is the highest of all crimes.

#### Democratic rule of law protects women, minorities, and indigenous peoples from being exploited

O’Donnell 04

Guillermo O’Donnell is Helen Kellogg Professor of Government and International Studies at the University of Notre Dame. This essay com- bines new material with a reorganized version of some of the author’s other writings on this subject, especially The Quality of Democracy: Theory and Applications (2004) and “Polyarchies and the (Un)Rule of Law in Latin America” in Juan Mendez, Guillermo O’Donnell, and Paul Sérgio Pinheiro, eds., The Rule of Law and the Underprivileged in Latin America (1999), both published by the University of Notre Dame Press. “The Quality of Democracy: WHY THE RULE OF LAW MATTERS.” [Journal of Democracy](http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/journal_of_democracy)   
[Volume 15, Number 4, October 2004](http://muse.jhu.edu/journals/journal_of_democracy/toc/jod15.4.html). 10.1353/jod.2004.0076. Project Muse. <http://home.comcast.net/~lionelingram/odonnell_WhyRuleOfLawMatters.pdf>. EJW.

In relation to the legal system. First, we may look at the degree to which the legal system

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effectively interprets and protects it.

Allowing warming to continue perpetuates inequalities – it disproportionately affects women and low income communities

Julia Whittney, 3/8/07, (“Climate Change Will Affect Women More Severely Than Men”, <http://www.motherjones.com/blue-marble/2007/03/climate-change-will-affect-women-more-severely-men>, AW)

Today is International Women's Day. You'd hardly know it. Though the IUCN (World

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change, where you can learn more, get involved.

#### Patriarchy not the root cause—inseparable from regional conflict and structural conditions.

**Stansell 2010** (Christine, Professor of history at Princeton and the University of Chicago, “Global Feminism in a Conservative Age: Possibilities and Pieties Since 1980”, in *Dissent*, April 1st Edition, pg. 51-52)

But at the same time, the use of patriarchy as the one-size-fits-all paradigm and the dichotomy of

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resurrected.

#### Black Feminism DA to the alt—Lesbian separatism’s singular focus on sex as a basis of oppression fundamentally downgrades the importance of class and race. The alt doesn’t solve for women of color.

(Julie McCrossin is a self-identified lesbian and feminist. “Women, wimmin, womyn, womin, whippets - On Lesbian Separatism.” *Radical Tradition: A Takver’s Initiative.* March 30, 1999. <http://www.takver.com/history/womyn.htm>. EJW.)

McCrossin ‘99

Patriarchy. Separatists assert that patriarchy is the fundamental cause of all

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Separatist ideas would seem to lead inevitably to a narrowing of outlook and to facilitate the maintenance of pure and rigid views.

#### Agency DA--Lesbian separatism’s simplistic view of history as women as the uniformly subordinate erases class and race and portrays women as politically passive and discourages political participation

(Julie McCrossin is a self-identified lesbian and feminist. “Women, wimmin, womyn, womin, whippets - On Lesbian Separatism.” *Radical Tradition: A Takver’s Initiative.* March 30, 1999. <http://www.takver.com/history/womyn.htm>. EJW.)

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#### Cyberwar outweighs on timeframe—15 minutes and is comparative to a nuclear war Spillius 10

(Alex Spillius, The Telegraph's Washington Correspondent. “Cyber attack 'could fell US within 15 minutes.” The Telegraph. May 7, 2010, <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/northamerica/usa/7691500/Cyber-attack-could-fell-US-within-15-minutes.html>. EJW.)

Richard Clarke claims that America's lack of preparation for the annexing of its computer

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more tolerant of government interference, is far better prepared than its giant ally across the Atlantic.