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Woodward Quarters – you know the drill

## AT Solvency

Nope – gotta rebalance on the border now

Seelke 14 Clare Ribando Seelke, Specialist in Latin American Affairs, January 30, 2014, (“Mexico: Background and U.S. Relations”, <http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/R42917.pdf>, AW)

As Mexico is experiencing a major domestic shift in power from PAN to PRI rule

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governments have emphasized that cooperation has continued, particularly in the economic realm.

2AC AT St Marks P3

Total federal engagement is key – private sector sends a signal of uncertainty

Woodrow Wilson Center 09, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Mexico Institute, “THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO: Towards a Strategic Partnership,” <http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/The%20U.S.%20and%20Mexico.%20Towards%20a%20Strategic%20Partnership.pdf>

The Obama administration and the incoming Congress have the opportunity to raise the level of

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engagement: security cooperation, economic integration, immigration, and border management.

Monopolies disad – lack of experience kills solvency

Glaeser 10Economics professor at Harvard (Edward, “Right-Turn Signal: Privatizing Our Way out of Traffic,” 9/28/10, http://economix.blogs.nytimes.com/2010/09/28/right-turn-signal-privatizing-our-way-out-of-traffic/)

But markets are not perfect and private provision has its own pitfalls. In transportation

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incremental process of trying things out will provide information and build public support.

The counterplan makes no sense because there are no interested private companies – proves they can’t solve

Chamber of Commerce 11 (“Steps to a 21st Century U.S.-Mexico Border”

<http://www.uschamber.com/sites/default/files/reports/2011_us_mexico_report.pdf> )

Businesses rely on just-in-time inventory management and depend on predictability and

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face regulators in reforming policy; however, more needs to be done.

Not cost effective – only the case solves

Engel et al 6 Professor of economics at Yale University (Eduardo, “Privatizing Highways in the United States”, Review of Industrial Organization, 2006, ProQuest)

A major problem with highway concessions throughout the world has been that contract renegotiations,

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be efficient and to be cautious in assessing the profitability of the project.

Federal government is key – private sector can’t fund it

CAL 13 (California Legislature, 5/1/13, “Assembly Joint Resolution No. 4—Relative to the United States-Mexico border.”,<http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/pub/13-14/bill/asm/ab_0001-0050/ajr_4_bill_20130501_chaptered.htm>, AW)

AJR 4, Hueso. The United States-Mexico border. This measure would

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each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States.

Can’t solve coordination – guts solvency

DiNapoli 11 New York State Comptroller Thomas, “Controlling Risk Without Gimmicks: New York’s Infrastructure Crisis and Public-Private Partnerships,” http://www.osc.state.ny.us/reports/infrastructure/pppjan61202.pdf

Risk of Uncoordinated Infrastructure Planning – The nation’s transportation system is a diverse network of

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in some P3 agreements that prevent government entities from offering alternatives at all.

2AC AT Politics

Unemployment benefits can’t solve the economy – empirics

Levine and Card 2k (\*Phillip, Katharine Coman and A. Barton Hepburn Professor of Economics and the Economics Department Chair at Wellesley College, \*David, Ph.D in Economics @ UCal Berkeley “Extended beneﬁts and the duration of UI spells: evidence from the New Jersey extended beneﬁt program” <http://davidcard.berkeley.edu/papers/extended-benefits-ui.pdf>)

In fact, existing research in the United States ﬁnds a strong positive relationship between

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of the effect of longer UI beneﬁts on the duration of UI spells.

Obamacare is back – HHS hearings

Giroux 3/13

Greg Giroux, Bloomberg, 3/13, (“Burwell HHS Hearings Give Republicans Obamacare Opening”, <http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2014-04-13/burwell-hhs-hearings-give-republicans-obamacare-opening.html>, AW)

Republican lawmakers said hearings on Sylvia Mathews

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hearing on April 10, hours before her resignation was announced.

Unemployment insurance is dead and not being pushed - GOP leadership isn’t budging

LAUREN FRENCH, Congress Reporter for Politico, 4/7 [“House shrugs off Senate jobless bill,” http://www.politico.com/story/2014/04/house-senate-unemployment-benefits-105450.html]

The fate of expired unemployment benefits tied the Senate in knots for nearly four months

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any jobs measures at all,” Michael Steel, a Boehner spokesperson said.

Slew of foreign policy battles coming up – thumps the DA

Carrie Budoff Brown, Politico, 3/30/14, Obama’s overseas trip: 5 big takeaways, dyn.politico.com/printstory.cfm?uuid=BEB92240-B170-43D0-822A-3E36407BF469

President Barack Obama zigzagged across Europe to the Middle East this week, from the

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any one of these areas would be a major second-term accomplishment.

Winners win and PC isn’t key

Hirsh 13 (Michael, Chief correspondent for National Journal, Previously served as the senior editor and national economics correspondent for Newsweek, Overseas Press Club award for best magazine reporting from abroad in 2001 and for Newsweek’s coverage of the war on terror which also won a National Magazine Award, There’s No Such Thing as Political Capital, http://www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/there-s-no-such-thing-as-political-capital-20130207)

But the abrupt emergence of the immigration and gun control issues illustrates how suddenly shifts

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change positions to get on the winning side. It’s a bandwagon effect.”

Obama doesn’t push the plan

Combs 1 Window on State Government - Susan Combs, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts 2001 State Functions at the Texas-Mexico Border and Cross-Border Transportation http://www.window.state.tx.us/specialrpt/border/sfatb2.html

II. Responsibilities of Governmental Agencies and Private Entities at the Texas-Mexico Border

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inspections include more detailed reviews of cargo documentation, cargo, and drivers.

PC not real

Edwards 9 Distinguished Professor of Political Science at Texas A&M University, holds the George and Julia Blucher Jordan Chair in Presidential Studies and has served as the Olin Professor of American Government at Oxford [George, “The Strategic President”, Printed by the Princeton University Press, pg. 149-150]

Even presidents who appeared to dominate Congress were actually facilitators rather than directors of change

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to issue, it will almost always be a minority in each chamber.

Improving POE’s has bipartisan agreement

Ramos 13 (Kristian Ramos is New Democracy Network’s Policy Director of the 21st Century Border Initiative, “Realizing the Strategic National Value of our Trade, Tourism and Ports of Entry with Mexico” The New Policy Institute is the educational affiliate of the NDN, a think tank based in Washington, DC. May 2013 http://ndn.org/sites/default/files/blog\_files/NPI%20U%20S%20-Mexico%20Trade%20Tourism%20POE%20Report\_0.pdf)

Key policies and infrastructure can either help or hinder this enormous economic exchange. Forty

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number one or number two trading partner, multiplying jobs in both countries.

Group support

BH 10 (“Senators: U.S. Must Invest in Infrastructure, Personnel at International Bridges” http://www.cornyn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?p=InNews&ContentRecord\_id=8fca6ad8-c12f-4b06-82fe-fad0ccbc76c4)

The state’s members of the U.S. House of Representatives have lobbied unsuccessfully

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we were fine at the ports, but that was a false assumption.”

2AC Agriculture

Plan is key to the agricultural industry and food security

CoC 12 (United States Chamber of Commerce, “ENHANCING THE U.S.–MEXICO ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP” http://www.uschamber.com/sites/default/files/reports/1204EnhancingtheUS-MexicoEconomicPartnership.pdf 4-24-12)

In both markets, consumers and producers alike benefit from access to the other’s agricultural

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more reliable access to safe food at better prices, quality, and reliability

Global nuclear conflict

Xie et al 6(Wenyu, Prof. Phil. @ Shandong U., Zhihe Wang, Prof. @ School of Phil. And Soc. Sci. @ Beijing Normal U., and George E. Derfer, School of Philosophy and the Social Sciences, and George E. Derfer, Prof. Emeritus @ Cal. Poly. Pomona, “Whitehead and China: Relevance and Relationship”)

The threats posed by war, imperialism, nuclear weapons, and terrorism are,

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with hatred of imperialism combined with nuclearism makes for a very volatile mixture.

2AC AT Chinese Economy

No Chinese economic collapse and no impact

Coonan 8 (10/25, Clifford, IrishTimes.com, “China's stalling boom has globe worried,” http://www.irishtimes.com/newspaper/opinion/2008/1025/1224838827729.html)

All of this downbeat news feeds into a growing suspicion that China has had its

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would give their eye teeth to be able to present to their constituencies.

No collapse internal link – empirics

Blackwill, 09 (Robert Blackwill, former associate dean of the Kennedy School of Government and Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy National Security Advisor for Strategic Planning, text taken from article titled “The Geopolitical Consequences of the World Economic Recession—A Caution”, text found at [http://www.rand.org/pubs/occasional\_papers/2009/RAND\_OP275.pdf] HIRSH)

Next, China. Again, five years from today. Did the recession undermine

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No. Did it cause the essence of Asian security to transform? No

2AC AT China

America inevitable

Valencia 13 (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

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heavily on the war on terror, often ignoring issues in Latin America.

Relation’s non-existent

Devonshire-Ellis 13 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

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tax code is unattractive to them compared with lower rates back in China.

Not zero sum

Xiaoxia 13 (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

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States has accumulated over two centuries in the region.

No tradeoff – countries cooperate

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

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(where the US, for example, views China as a threat).

2AC China Senkaku Turn

Chinese influence in Mexico will spur Senkaku conflict

Gertz 13 **(**Bill Gertz, American editor, Rising Red tide: China encircles U.S. by sailing warships in American waters, arming neighbors”, www.washingtontimes.com/news/2013/jun/7/china-encircles-us-arming-western-hemisphere-state/?page=all)

A joint Mexico-China statement said Mexico pledged not to interfere in China’s affairs

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disputed islands that are said to contain large underwater gas and oil reserves.

Disputes cause extinction

Douglas 14 (Hilary Douglas, Staff Writer for Express UK, “China and Japan on the brink of Third World War”, http://www.express.co.uk/news/world/462565/China-and-Japan-on-the-brink-of-Third-World-War, ZS)

Against this background, a dispute over five uninhabited islands and three barren rocks looks

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trigger conflict despite the deep economic inter-dependence between the two countries.”

## 1AR P3’S

Not competitive

Leonard Leos et al 7, MBA from the Naval Postgraduate School, “Budget Scoring of Alternative Financing Methods for Defense Requirements”, June, http://www.dtic.mil/dtic/tr/fulltext/u2/a473232.pdf

In a 2003 study by the GAO, PPPs were identified as the most prevalent

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to be served (Dovey & Eggers, 2007, p. 5).

## 1AR Economy Biz

International experiences prove unemployment benefits undermine growth

Sherk 12 (James, Senior Policy Analyst in Labor Economics in the Center for Data Analysis at The Heritage Foundation – M.A. Economics Rochester, “Attempting to Bolster the Economy: The Effectiveness of Extending UI Benefits” <http://www.heritage.org/research/testimony/2012/02/testimony-on-attempting-to-bolster-the-economy>)

The International Experience International evidence reinforces this conclusion. If UI spending stimulated the economy

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reduced the generosity of UI benefits saw their unemployment rates fall.[22]

## 1AR Uniqueness Biz

Negotiations between republicans and dems will fail – no mutual bargaining chips

LAUREN FRENCH, Congress Reporter for Politico, 4/7 [“House shrugs off Senate jobless bill,” http://www.politico.com/story/2014/04/house-senate-unemployment-benefits-105450.html]

Democrats will launch their offensive on Tuesday at a press event with unemployed workers and

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about how to pass UI instead of just blocking it, that’s progress.”

## 1AR FoPo

Obama’s done—if anything passes, it’s not because of him

The Independent, 3/28/14, Millions are signing up to Obamacare. But there’s still far to go, www.independent.co.uk/voices/editorials/millions-are-signing-up-to-obamacare-but-theres-still-far-to-go-9221559.html

All of this took a very real toll on the President’s credibility. In a

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the drag. But his achievement is a historic one all the same.

## 1AR Popular

Only a risk of the link turn – it’s a membrane

NPI 13 Independent think tank, non-partisan and based in Washington DC, affiliate of the advocacy organization NDN and a project of The Tides Center, “Realizing the Strategic National Value of our Trade, Tourism and Ports of Entry with Mexico,” http://d1jlczrezgss9n.cloudfront.net/wp/wp-content/uploads/2013/05/NPI-U-S-Mexico-Trade-Tourism-POE-Report\_0.pdf

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