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## 1NC China

#### **Reshoring hamstrings Chinese manufacturing – tanks economy**

Manzella 13, John, District Export Council member (appointed by the Secretary of Commerce), editor-in-chief of The Manzella Report, president of Manzella Trade Communications, (“Energy Revolution Could Supercharge U.S. Manufacturing, Hurt China”, <http://www.manzellareport.com/index.php/manufacturing/543-energy-revolution-could-supercharge-u-s-manufacturing-hurt-china>, AW)

In recent years, China has absorbed much of the world’s low tech production.

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China, may further negatively impact Chinese exports to the U.S.

#### Chinese econ decline guts the world economy – causes nuclear conflict in Asia and draws in the US

Chen 01 [Shuxen, RAND Corp, “China the United States and The Global Economy”, http://www.rand.org/pubs/monograph\_reports/2006/MR1300.pdf]

Nevertheless, America’s main interests in China have been quite constant, namely peace,

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who are willing and able to keep the relationship on an even keel.

## 1NC Politics

Patent reform will pass---pressure and timing are key---crucial to competitiveness and the economy

Pappas 4/24—Peter, is the former Chief of Staff at the USPTO, where he served from 2009-2013. He is a senior advisor to Engine, an advocacy organization supporting startups and technology entrepreneurship, “The Senate and Patent Reform: The Time Is Now” http://www.rollcall.com/news/the\_senate\_and\_patent\_reform\_the\_time\_is\_now\_commentary-232363-1.html?pos=oopih

Recently, word from the Senate Judiciary Committee is that negotiators have reached a bipartisan

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a fledgling business which can ill afford the cost or distraction of litigation.

Economic engagement with Mexico is politically divisive despite supporters

Wilson 13 – Associate at the Mexico Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International. Center for Scholars (Christopher E., January, “A U.S.-Mexico Economic Alliance: Policy Options for a Competitive Region,” http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/new\_ideas\_us\_mexico\_relations.pdf)

At a time when Mexico is poised to experience robust economic growth, a manufacturing

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action to support regional exporters more politically divisive than it ought to be.

Political Capital key and keeps it at the top of the docket

Meyers, 3/5 -- Politico reporter

[Jessica, "Lawmakers: Patent reform will advance," Politico, 3-5-14, www.politico.com/story/2014/03/patent-reform-104278.html, accessed 3-13-14]

The House passed a patent reform bill, known as the Innovation Act, in

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” he said. “It opened the bill on the Democratic side.”

Economic decline causes war and turns every impact

O Hanlon et al 12 (O’Hanlon 12 Kenneth G. Lieberthal, Director of the John L. Thornton China Center and Senior Fellow in Foreign Policy and Global Economy and Development at the Brookings Institution, former Professor at the University of Michigan [“The Real National Security Threat: America's Debt,” Los Angeles Times, July 10th, [http://www.brookings.edu/research/opinions/2012/07/10-economy-foreign-policy-lieberthal-ohanlon](http://www.brookings.edu/research/opinions/2012/07/10-economy-foreign-policy-lieberthal-ohanlon%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)]

Alas, globalization and automation trends of the last generation have increasingly called the American

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really possible if that fundamental prerequisite to effective foreign policy is not reestablished.

## 1NC Kritik

Orthodox atomistic approaches to global problems makes extinction inevitable – we control causality of conflict

Ahmed 12 Dr. Nafeez Mosaddeq Ahmed is Executive Director of the Institute for Policy

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, 2011 Taylor Francis 3. From securitisation to militarisation 3.1 Complicity

Orthodox IR approaches: occluding systems, securitising crises, reifying violence 2.1

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necessitating more violence, while inhibiting preventive action, it guarantees greater insecurity.

The alternative is to reject the 1AC – it adopts a critical approach to IR

Bilgin 5—Pinar Bilgin, Associate Professor of International Relations at Bilkent University (Turkey) [“Conclusion,” Regional Security in the Middle East: A Critical Perspective, Published by Routledge, ISBN 0415325498, p. 205-207]

Emphasising the mutually interactive relationship between intellectuals and social movements should not be taken to

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‘desired’ future but is also cognisant of ‘threats to the future’.

## 1NC CP

The United States federal government should substantially increase funding to facilitate improved efficiency and reduced congestion at the roads, highways, and bridges at the U.S.-Mexico border ports of entry.

HSR causes a terror attack – nukes solvency

David Randall Peterman, ET AL, Coordinator Analyst in Transportation Policy William J. Mallett Specialist in Transportation Policy John Frittelli Specialist in Transportation Policy, CRS, Congressional Research Service, December 8, 2009, “High Speed Rail (HSR) in the United States”, PDF, KENTUCKY

Safety is another benefit of HSR that is sometimes mentioned by its advocates. Intercity

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mobility benefits of competitive travel times with air travel will also be diminished.

Causes extinction

Mohamed Sid-Ahmed, Al-Ahram Weekly political analyst, 2004 [Al-Ahram Weekly, "Extinction!" 8/26, no. 705, http://weekly.ahram.org.eg/2004/705/op5.htm]

What would be the consequences of a nuclear attack by terrorists? Even if it

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When nuclear pollution infects the whole planet, we will all be losers.

## 1NC Mexico Politics

Will pass – but it’ll be a fight

Economist 4/24

The Economist, 4/24/14, (“Putting flesh on the bones”, <http://www.economist.com/blogs/americasview/2014/04/mexicos-energy-reforms>, AW)

THE laws fleshing out Mexico's constitutional reforms last year are grinding slowly and messily through

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But Congress is so fractious at the moment, don't rule it out.

Plan is controversial – hyper-nationalism and perceived as intervention

Starr 12 [October 2012. Pamela K. Starr is the Director of the U.S.-Mexico Network and an Associate Professor at the Center on Public Diplomacy at the University of Southern California. “The United States and Mexican Domestic Politics,” college.usc.edu/usmexnet/wp-content/.../Camp-Oxford-paper-final.doc]

The nature, depth, and anti-American undertones of Mexican nationalism have operated

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has repeatedly found its policy autonomy constrained in situations where Congress has interests.

Nieto key to the April deadline

MBB 14

Mexico Business Blog, (“Energy reform driving speculation on big growth”, <http://bdp-americas.com/blog/2014/02/10/energy-reform-driving-speculation-on-big-growth/>, AW)

\*The language in this card is terrible – sorry, we don’t endorse any of it\*

For the last few months of 2013, observers in Mexico and abroad looked on

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in fresh foreign capital for starters if the new regulations provide favorable conditions.

Solves oil dependence

CC 13, Climate Connections, 8/20/13, (“Mexico: ‘Energy reform’ promises privatization – and fracking”, <http://climate-connections.org/2013/08/22/mexico-energy-reform-promises-privatization-and-fracking/>, AW)

On Aug. 12 Mexican president Enrique Peña Nieto formally announced his plan for transforming

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isn’t a member of the cartel. (NYT, Aug. 14)

Oil adventurism causes extinction

Lendman 07 **–** Research Associate of the Centre for Research on Globalization (Stephen Lendman, “Resource Wars - Can We Survive Them?,” rense.com, 6-6-7, pg. <http://www.rense.com/general76/resrouce.htm>)

\*We reject the use of the word holocaust\*

With the world's energy supplies finite, the US heavily dependent on imports, and

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, or at least a big part of it, would have survived.

## 1NC Topicality

Interpretation – economic engagement must be conditional

Shinn 96 [James Shinn, C.V. Starr Senior Fellow for Asia at the CFR in New York City and director of the council’s multi-year Asia Project, worked on economic affairs in the East Asia Bureau of the US Dept of State, “Weaving the Net: Conditional Engagement with China,” pp. 9 and 11, google books]

In sum, conditional engagement consists of a set of objectives, a strategy for

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105, no. 3 (1990), pp. 383-88).

# Case

### 1NC – Heg – Proper

#### Heg unsustainable – alt causes the plan can’t remedy

Layne 12 (Christopher, professor and Robert M. Gates Chair in National Security at Texas A & M University’s George H. W. Bush School of Government and Public Service, April 25, 2012, “The Global Power Shift from West to East”, National Interest MAY-JUNE 2012, http://nationalinterest.org/article/the-global-power-shift-west-east-6796)

The signs of the emerging new world order are many. First, there is

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Islamist terrorists—a strategically overextended United States inevitably will need to retrench.

#### Trade with Mexico *isn’t* key to the economy – it’s a small percentage of the GDP and their authors conflate correlation with causation

Villarreal 12 – M. Angeles Villarreal, Specialist in International Trade and Finance (M. Angeles Villarreal, *Congressional Research Service*, 08-09-2012, “U.S.-Mexico Economic Relations: Trends, Issues, and Implications”, http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/row/RL32934.pdf, Accessed 08-02-2013 | AK)

Effects on the U.S. Economy

The overall effect of NAFTA on the U.S. economy has been relatively

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Mexico and the United States influencing investment decisions and the demand for goods.

Affirmative claims about inevitable manufacturing decline are alarmism – sustainable manufacturing is the only future.

Naim, Carnegie Endowment senior fellow, 3-21-14

[Moises, “America's Coming Manufacturing Revolution” http://www.theatlantic.com/business/print/2014/04/americas-coming-manufacturing-revolution/360931/, accessed 4-26-14, TAP]

Hardly a day goes by without an article predicting, lamenting, or celebrating America's

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areas, it’s a mistake to describe America as a power in decline.

#### No impact – empirics and stats

Fettweis, 11

Christopher J. Fettweis, Department of Political Science, Tulane University, 9/26/11, Free Riding or Restraint? Examining European Grand Strategy, Comparative Strategy, 30:316–332, EBSCO

It is perhaps worth noting that there is no evidence to support a direct relationship

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global policeman. Those who think otherwise base their view on faith alone.

#### No transition wars and heg isn’t key---int’l institutions check

Fordham 12—professor of political science at Binghamton University (Ben, International Economic Institutions and Great Power Peace, 8/12/12, http://gt2030.com/2012/08/15/international-economic-institutions-and-great-power-peace/)

I enjoyed Jack Levy’s comments on how the world would have looked to people writing

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the benefits that emerging powers like China receive from upholding the status quo.

#### The industry’s empirically resilient

WSJ 11 (Wall Street Journal. 2/25/11. "The Truth About U.S. Manufacturing."online.wsj.com/article/SB10001424052748703652104576122353274221570.html.html#articleTabs%3Darticle)

Is American manufacturing dead? You might think so reading most of the nation's editorial

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supplies, pharmaceuticals and medicine, and oil and natural-gas equipment.

#### No chance of war from economic decline---best and most recent empirics

Daniel W. Drezner 12, Professor, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, October 2012, “The Irony of Global Economic Governance: The System Worked,” <http://www.globaleconomicgovernance.org/wp-content/uploads/IR-Colloquium-MT12-Week-5_The-Irony-of-Global-Economic-Governance.pdf>

The final outcome addresses a dog that hasn’t barked: the effect of the Great

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II – and not even worse – must be regarded as fortunate.”42

#### Resilient – hold them to a high threshold for war

Economist, Economist Intelligence Unit – Global Forecasting Service, 11/16/’11

(<http://gfs.eiu.com/Article.aspx?articleType=gef&articleId=668596451&secID=7>)

The US economy, by any standard, remains weak, and consumer and business

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28 of the last 30 months—and by a moribund housing market.

### 2AC – Protectionism

#### Open trade is locked in—no protectionism

Kim 13, Soo Yeon Kim, of the National University of Singapore, associate professor of music at Nazareth College of Rochester, New York, Fellow of the Transatlantic Academy, based at the German Marshall Fund of the United States, The Monkey Cage, January 30, 2013, " Protectionism During Recessions: Is This Time Different?", http://themonkeycage.org/blog/2013/01/30/protectionism-during-recessions-is-this-time-different/

There is widespread agreement regarding the critical role of international institutions as “firewalls”

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firms from pushing for more protection remains an important question for further research.

#### Trade disputes don’t escalate – solidified international norms

Ikenson 12[March 5th, Daniel, [Daniel Ikenson](http://www.cato.org/people/daniel-ikenson) is director of the Herbert A. Stiefel Center for Trade Policy Studies at the Cato Institute,

 <http://www.cato.org/publications/free-trade-bulletin/trade-policy-priority-one-averting-uschina-trade-war>]

An emerging narrative in 2012 is that a proliferation of protectionist, treaty-violating

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that suggests that the kerfuffle is containable and the recent trend reversible.1

#### Trade doesn’t solve conflict—best quantitative studies

Pevehouse ‘4 ( political science professor at U Wisconsin (Jon, The Journal of Politics, 66.1, “Interdependence Theory and the Measurement of International Conflict”, JSTOR)

Conclusions Although the results presented here are certainly not the final answer to the question

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panacea for the vagaries of nor is it a blight on interstate relations.

## 1NC – Turn – Shunning

Reject engagement with human rights abusers — moral duty to shun

Beversluis 89 — Eric H. Beversluis, Professor of Philosophy and Economics at Aquinas College, holds an A.B. in Philosophy and German from Calvin College, an M.A. in Philosophy from Northwestern University, an M.A. in Economics from Ohio State University, and a Ph.D. in the Philosophy of Education from Northwestern University, 1989 (“On Shunning Undesirable Regimes: Ethics and Economic Sanctions,” *Public Affairs Quarterly*, Volume 3, Number 2, April, Available Online to Subscribing Institutions via JSTOR, p. 17-19)

A fundamental task of morality is resolving conflicting interests. If we both want

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failure as tacit complicity in the willful, persistent, and flagrant immorality.

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## 2nc at: warming impact

status quo international warming institutions are locked in and distinct from the plan – the squo will solve or fail with or without the plan

Lisa Friedman, Deputy Editor of Climatewire in Scientific American, 14 [“Global Effort to Combat Climate Change May Not End in Paris Next Year,” Jan 14, http://www.scientificamerican.com/article/global-effort-to-combat-combat-climate-change-may-not-end-in-paris-next-year/]

It's been more than four years since leaders tried and failed to craft a binding

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world's problems. We can't use just one tool to solve climate change."

#### No impact---mitigation and adaptation will solve---no tipping point or “1% risk” args

Robert O. Mendelsohn 9, the Edwin Weyerhaeuser Davis Professor, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, Yale University, June 2009, “Climate Change and Economic Growth,” online: http://www.growthcommission.org/storage/cgdev/documents/gcwp060web.pdf

The heart of the debate about climate change comes from a number of warnings from

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economic growth and well‐being may be at risk (Stern 2006).

These statements are largely alarmist and misleading. Although climate change is a serious problem

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range climate risks. What is needed are long‐run balanced responses.

#### Warming is slow – and not real

Taylor ’11 (7/27- senior fellow for environment policy at the Heartland Institute (2011, “New NASA Data Blow Gaping Hole In Global Warming Alarmism,” Forbes, http://blogs.forbes.com/jamestaylor/2011/07/27/new-nasa-data-blow-gaping-hold-in-global-warming-alarmism/)

NASA satellite data from the years 2000 through 2011 show the Earth’s atmosphere is allowing

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great deal about how honest the purveyors of global warming alarmism truly are.

#### Impossible to cut emissions – no modeling or momentum

Mead 10 (Walter Russell, senior fellow for U.S. foreign policy at the Council on Foreign Relations, The Death of Global Warming, February 1, <http://blogs.the-american-interest.com/wrm/2010/02/01/the-death-of-global-warming/>)

The global warming movement as we have known it is dead. Its health had

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the UN has a comprehensive written collection of promised actions, he says.”

## Heg adv

#### Their author concludes in more recent articles that the plan isn’t key to broader manufacutring

Wilson 13 (Christopher E. Wilson, Mexico Institute at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, January 2013, "A U.S.-Mexico Economic Alliance: Policy Options for a Competitive Region," New Ideas for a New Era: Policy Options for the Next Stage in U.S.-Mexico Relations, http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/new\_ideas\_us\_mexico\_relations.pdf, alp)

Driven by a series of global developments and technological advances, a manufacturing renaissance is

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the portions of production that still require a higher degree of manual labor.

### 2NC – Heg – No Impact – Long

#### Conclusiveness – this card answers all their warrants

Maher 11---adjunct prof of pol sci, Brown. PhD expected in 2011 in pol sci, Brown (Richard, The Paradox of American Unipolarity: Why the United States May Be Better Off in a Post-Unipolar World, Orbis 55;1)

At the same time, preeminence creates burdens and facilitates imprudent behavior. Indeed,

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have with Washington and to reinforce their security relationships with the United States.

#### U.S. primacy isn’t key to peace---their data is flawed

Christopher Preble 10, director of Foreign Policy Studies at the CATO Institute, August 3, 2010, “U.S. Military Power: Preeminence for What Purpose?,” online: <http://www.cato-at-liberty.org/u-s-military-power-preeminence-for-what-purpose/>

Most in Washington still embraces the notion that America is, and forever will be

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States while the schlubs in fly-over country pick up the tab.

### 2NC – Heg – A2: Transition Wars

#### No transition wars – empirics and assumes squo

Parent 11—assistant for of pol sci, U Miami. PhD in pol sci, Columbia—and—Paul MacDonald—assistant prof of pol sci, Williams (Joseph, Graceful Decline?;The Surprising Success of Great Power Retrenchment, Intl. Security, Spring 1, p. 7)

Some observers might dispute our conclusions, arguing that hegemonic transitions are more conflict prone

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ability to sustain its economic performance or engage in foreign policy adventurism. 94

## Trade Adv

### 1AR – Free Trade

#### Numerous constraints prevent protectionism

Rajiv Kumar, 11/12/2008, Protectionism and Obama, p. http://www.mydigitalfc.com/opinion/protectionism-and-obama

President designate Obama, while he can, of course, take the protectionist route

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actual imposition of higher tariff or non-tariff walls by the US.

#### Trade only pacifies some constituencies—it can’t solve in the countries with the biggest impacts

GOLDSTONE 2007 (P.R., PhD candidate in the Department of Political Science and a member of the Security Studies Program at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a non-resident research fellow at the Center for Peace and Security Studies, Georgetown University, AlterNet, September 25, http://www.alternet.org/audits/62848/?page=entire)

American policymakers should beware claims of globalization's axiomatic pacifying effects. Trade creates vested interests

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is that in particular instances it may prove no more than a placebo.

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## Link

Border policy unpopular

Corchado ’13, Mexico Bureau, 8/7/13, (“U.S., Mexican officials discuss future of border at conference.” <http://www.dallasnews.com/news/state/headlines/20130807-u.s.-mexican-officials-discuss-future-of-border-at-conference.ece>, AW)

Battered, bruised and misunderstood, the

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Both sides need to coordinate and prioritize better.”

Plan gets tied in Merida and security concerns – that’s massively unpopular

Paley ’13, Dawn, is an independent researcher for CIP Americas, (“A Rough Guide to Obama’s Mexico Visit.” <http://www.cipamericas.org/archives/9449#sthash.NhdSllJv.dpuf>, AW)

Obama will likely promote the immigration reform bill that is before the US Senate.

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last thing Peña Nieto wants to do while sharing the spotlight with Obama.

Focus link – plan gives PRI time for a legislative majority – guts secondary regs

Pedro Montes De Oca 3/19, The News, (“Oil referendum will go ahead: Cárdenas”, <http://www.thenews.com.mx/index.php/mexico-articulos/19984-oil-referendum-will-go-ahead-cardenas>, AW)

Cuauhtémoc Cárdenas said that the opposition will

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They also tell us that there’s nothing we can do, but they’re wrong about that,” Cárdenas said.

Mexico backlashes – any border policy links

Rueda 6/26 [Manuel, Latin America Correspondent for ABC/Univision, Journalism Masters Degree from Columbia University, BA in International Affairs from the University of Virginia, always up for an invite to the local salsa club]

(Mexico Slams U.S. Border Buildup Plan, ABC News/Univision, June 26, 2013, http://abcnews.go.com/ABC\_Univision/News/mexico-slams-us-immigration-reform-bills-proposed-border/story?id=19495974#.UdwObqUk\_dk)

In recent years, the administrations of Presidents Enrique Peña Nieto and Felipe Calderón had

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- another border where the U.S. stations thousands of troops.

Further normalization of trade leads to desperate backlash--we have empirics

Gonzalez, 11, bachelor’s in political science @ Yale; JD @ Harvard Law; associate professor of law @ Seattle U (Carmen G. Ganzalez; March 18, 2011 *University of Pennsylvania Journal of International Law* “An Environmental Justice Critique of Comparative Advantage: Indigenous Peoples, Trade Policy, and the Mexican Neoliberal Economic Reforms” *Vol. 32, p. 754,755* http://womenontheborder.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/C.-GONZALEZ-AN-ENVIRONMENTAL-JUSTICE-CRITIQUE-OF-COMPARATIVE-ADVANTAGE-INDIGENOUS-PEOPLES....pdf)//JES

The displacement of Mexican corn farmers as a result of the influx of highly subsidized

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event by paralyzing traffic in Mexico City to demand renegotiation of the Agreement.

Mexican government and strong lobby interests backlash at trade projects--tomato trade wars left relations splintered

McKeague, 12, Kezia McKeague, director of government relations at the Council of the Americas; legislative assistant for the Senate Foreign Relations Committee; a researcher at the Center for the Opening and Development of Latin America; Bachelor of Arts in political science and Spanish from Wake Forest University; a Masters in international affairs from Torcuato Di Tella University (Kezia McKeague, September 13, 2012 *Americas Quarterly* “The Politics of Tomatoes: U.S. Risks Trade Dispute with Mexico” http://www.americasquarterly.org/the-politics-of-tomatoes-united-states-risks-trade-dispute-with-mexico)//JES

Yet even as we celebrate cooperation at the level of geopolitics and multilateral negotiations,

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year, 93 percent of which were shipped to the U.S.

## Thumpers

There’s political support for PEMEX reform but only the plan could derail it – it’s top of the docket

Leon 4/9

Eduardo León, Iván Martén, Raul Livas, and Marcelo Mereles, Senior Fellows of the Boston Consulting Group, 4/09/14, (“The Promise of Mexico’s Energy Reforms”, <https://www.bcgperspectives.com/content/articles/energy_environment_promise_mexicos_energy_reforms/>, AW)

Mexico’s crucial energy sector is embarking upon historic and vital reforms. The country is

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As a result, it became increasingly clear that constitutional reforms were necessary.

Top of the docket – but Nieto’s PC is key

Mills 4/10

Mark P. Mills, Senior Fellow of The Manhattan Institute, 4/10/14, (“Energy Reform in Mexico: Next Step for the North American Energy Colossus?”, <http://www.insideronline.org/summary.cfm?id=22003>, AW)

For all the aforementioned reasons, President Peña Nieto and Mexico’s Congress are backing foreign

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, one should take encouragement from the speed of political progress thus far.

No legislative logjam – this is their evidence it goes neg

Reuters 4/25 (News Company, “Competition bill passes Mexico's Senate, easing legislative logjam”, <http://uk.reuters.com/article/2014/04/26/mexico-reforms-idUKL2N0NI01F20140426>, ZS)

Mexico's Senate voted to approve an economic competition bill on Friday, sending it to

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(bpd) in 2004 to 2.52 million bpd last year.