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#### Economic engagement is a conditional QPQ

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

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

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#### Economic engagement with Latin America is a vehicle for neoliberalism, designed to draw countries into the United States’ sphere of economic influence in the name of military interventionism.

Jacobs 4 (Jamie Elizabeth, Assistant Prof of Polisci at West Virginia U, "Neoliberalism and Neopanamericanism: The View from Latin America," Latin American Politics & Society 46.4 (2004) 149-152, MUSE)

The advance of neoliberalism suffers no shortage of critics, both from its supporters who

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further weakening of state sovereignty in the South. [End Page 150]

**Neoliberalism ensures a destruction of the environment**

Darder 10 (Professor Antonia Darder, Distinguished Professor of Education, University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign, “Preface” in *Critical Pedagogy, Ecoliteracy, & Planetary Crisis: The Ecopedagogy Movement* by Richard V. Kahn, 2010, pp. x-xiii) **GENDER MODIFIED**

It is fitting to begin my words about Richard Kahn’s Critical Pedagogy, Ecoliteracy,

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the well-being of all species with whom we walk the earth.

#### The alternative is to reject neoliberalism in order to create a bottom-up perspective on realigning the social landscape

**Roberts**, Cornell government professor, **2009**

(Kenneth, Beyond Neoliberalism in Latin America?, pg 1-7)

In recent years voters in Latin America have elected a series of left-of

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identify various responses, and analyze the potential impact of emerging popular subjects.

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#### Iran sanctions is top of the docket and Obama’s using capital to make Dems sustain a veto

CSM 1-13 [By Howard LaFranchi; “Is Congress about to kill Iran nuclear deal against Obama's wishes? (+video)”; 1/13/2014; <http://www.csmonitor.com/USA/Foreign-Policy/2014/0113/Is-Congress-about-to-kill-Iran-nuclear-deal-against-Obama-s-wishes-video>]

President Obama is warning Congress against steps that could scuttle a deal that he says

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have multiplying impact given the importance of those two sectors to Iran’s economy.

#### New Latin Economic Engagement Initiatives cause massive PC loss – no turns

Isacson, 11

Adam, Senior Associate @ WOLA, Washington Office on Latin America, Areas of Expertise: Regional and Military Security Policy, Arms Transfers, Civil-Military Relations, Colombia, International Drug Policy, Mexico, Peace Processes, U.S. Assistance, Adam Isacson is a key member of WOLA’s Regional Security Policy team. He is a leading expert on defense, civil-military relations, and U.S. security assistance to the Americas. He collaborates on Just the Facts—a constantly updated source of information and analysis of the United States’ often troubled relationship with Latin America’s militaries. He helped found Just the Facts in the early 1990s. Mr. Isacson has co-authored dozens of publications, including “Ready, Aim, Foreign Policy” and “Waiting for Change,” which examine the increasing role of the military in U.S. foreign policy. During the 2000s, Mr. Isacson focused on Colombia, the principal destination of U.S. aid to Latin America at the time. At the end of the decade, he published “Don’t Call It a Model,” a comprehensive look at the lessons to be learned from Plan Colombia. He has testified before Congress on international drug policy, Colombia’s conflict, U.S. military aid programs and human rights, and has organized several congressional delegations to the region. He is “among the few in Washington who genuinely affect how policy-makers in Congress and the administration shape their decisions and policy proposals,” says a congressional staffer who closely follows Latin America policy. He is known for his pithy commentary, shared online daily through regular contributions to Just the Facts and other blogs. Among Latin America analysts, he has been a leader in cutting-edge use of technology for transparency, instant analysis, and advocacy. Mr. Isacson joined WOLA in 2010 after fourteen years working on Latin American and Caribbean security issues with the Center for International Policy (CIP). Before WOLA and CIP, he worked for the Arias Foundation for Peace and Human Progress in San José, Costa Rica as a program assistant for demilitarization. 3/10, http://www.wola.org/commentary/president\_obama\_s\_upcoming\_trip\_to\_latin\_america

Though Latin Americans’ perceptions of the United States have improved since a low point during

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Let’s hope that the tone and content of the President’s visit reflect that.

#### PC currently is holding them off

The Hill 1-14 [The Hill, DC Political site, By Jeremy Herb; “Dems back away from Iran sanctions legislation”; 1/14/2014; http://thehill.com/blogs/global-affairs/middle-east-north-africa/195477-reid-dems-back-away-from-iran-sanctions]

Amid intense pressure from President Obama and the White House, Senate Democrats appear to

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floor because it has reached a near filibuster-proof majority of supporters.

#### Failure commits us to Israeli strikes

**Merry 1/1/14** (Robert W. Merry, political editor of the National Interest, is the author of books on American history and foreign policy, “Obama may buck the Israel lobby on Iran”, 2014, Washington Times, factiva)

Presidential press secretary Jay Carney uttered 10 words the other day that represent a major

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seen as being not quite what it has been cracked up to be.

#### Impact is nuclear war

**Reuveny** **10** (Rafael – professor in the School of Public and Environmental affairs at Indiana University, Unilateral strike on Iran could trigger world depression, p. http://www.indiana.edu/~spea/news/speaking\_out/reuveny\_on\_unilateral\_strike\_Iran.shtml)

A unilateral Israeli strike on Iran’s nuclear facilities would likely have dire consequences, including

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green light. A unilateral Israeli strike could ultimately spark World War III.

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#### China’s expanding into Latin America---US influence is key to crowd them out

Dowd 12 (Alan, Senior Fellow with the American Security Council Foundation, “Crisis in the America's,” http://www.ascfusa.org/content\_pages/view/crisisinamericas)

Focused on military operations in the Middle East, nuclear threats in Iran and North

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: There is room for only one great power in the Western Hemisphere.

#### The plan limits China’s influence in the region – restarts U.S. – Latin Ties

Pham 10

[Dr. J. Peter Pham is senior vice president of the National Committee on American Foreign Policy and the incoming editor of American Foreign Policy Interests., China’s Strategic Penetration of Latin America: What It Means for U.S. Interests, 2010, American Foreign Policy Interests, 32: 363–381]

All of this led to Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton telling an audience of

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rare move, authorized the imposition of punitive sanctions against American products.89

#### Chinese influence in the region key to the global economy and regime stability – preventing US influence key

Ellis 11

[R. Evan, Assistant Professor of National Security Studies in the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies at the National Defense University.Chinese Soft Power in Latin America, 1st quarter 2011, <http://www.ndu.edu/press/lib/images/jfq-60/JFQ60_85-91_Ellis.pdf>]

Access to Latin American Markets. Latin American markets are becoming increasingly valuable for Chinese

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Area of the Americas) in which the PRC would have been disadvantaged.

#### Economic decline leads to great power war – best studies prove

**ROYAL 10** Director of Cooperative Threat Reduction at the U.S. Department of Defense

 [Jedediah Royal, 2010, Economic Integration, Economic Signaling and the Problem of Economic Crises, in Economics of War and Peace: Economic, Legal and Political Perspectives, ed. Goldsmith and Brauer, p. 213-215]

Less intuitive is how periods of economic decline may increase the likelihood of external conflict

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not featured prominently in the economic-security debate and deserves more attention.

### Relations

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Hughes 8/24/13 [Dan Hughes, Writer of Foreign Affairs, “Warmer Temperature In Cuba-US Relations”, http://jamaica-gleaner.com/gleaner/20130624/news/news91.html, PS]

In the past week, the two countries have held talks on resuming direct mail

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granted visas to prominent Cuban officials, including the daughter of Cuba's president.

#### Their Manwaring card gives no warrants for escalation and is in the context of Chavez’s plan for undermining Latin American democracy—that’s not happening anymore

Note: this card is optional

Manwaring 05 [Max G., Retired U.S. Army colonel and an Adjunct Professor of International Politics at Dickinson College, October, “Venezuela’s Hugo Chávez, Bolivarian Socialism, and Asymmetric Warfare,” PUB628.pdf]

Peru’s Sendero Luminoso calls violent and destructive activities that facilitate the processes of state failure

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and their associated problems endanger global security, peace, and prosperity.65

#### Gorrell concludes instability inevitable – Post Castro Power Vaccuum

Gorrell, 1AC Evidence, 5 (Tim, Lieutenant Colonel, “CUBA: THE NEXT UNANTICIPATED ANTICIPATED STRATEGIC CRISIS?” 3/18, <http://www.dtic.mil/cgi-bin/GetTRDoc?AD=ADA433074>)

Since the mid-1970s each administration has been surprised by a major unanticipated¶

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and the rest of the world would benefit from such a visionary policy.

#### Hamas and Hezbollah are avoiding any pretext for conflict and Israel doesn't want to fight.

**Leverett and Leverett**, 2-25-20**10**  [Flynt, Senior Research Fellow – New American Foundation, and Hillary Mann, CEO – Strategic Energy and Global Analysis, “IS ANOTHER ISRAEL-IRAN “PROXY WAR” LOOMING?” 2010, http://www.raceforiran.com/is-another-israel-iran-%E2%80%9Cproxy-war%E2%80%9D-looming]

But, contra General Jones, after spending much of last week in Lebanon and

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or do anything else that would give Israel a pretext for military action.

#### No risk of nuclear terror

Mueller 10 (John, professor of political science at Ohio State, Calming Our Nuclear Jitters, Issues in Science and Technology, Winter, <http://www.issues.org/26.2/mueller.html>)

Politicians of all stripes preach to an anxious, appreciative, and very numerous choir

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above: one in a million or one in three billion per attempt.

#### No risk of cyber attack and even if it happens no impact

Douglas Birch 10-1, former foreign correspondent for the Associated Press and the Baltimore Sun who has written extensively on technology and public policy, 10/1/12, “Forget Revolution,” Foreign Policy, http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2012/10/01/forget\_revolution?page=full

Government officials sometimes describe a kind of Hieronymus Bosch landscape when warning of the possibility

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that even a large-scale blackout would not necessarily have catastrophic consequences.

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**Consequences matter – the tunnel vision of moral absolutism generates evil and political irrelevance**

Issac, 2002 (Jeffery, Professor of Political Science at Indiana University, Dissent, Vol. 49 No. 2, Spring)

Politics, in large part, involves contests over the distribution and use of power

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

#### Extinction comes first.

Bok, 1988

(Sissela, Professor of Philosophy, Brandeis, “Applied Ethics and Ethical Theory”, Google Scholar)

The same argument can be made for Kant’s other formulations of the Categorical Imperative:

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even killing an innocent person, in order that the world not perish.

#### Evaluation of consequences is the utmost ethical act – their ethic allows infinite violence

**Williams 2005** (Michael, Professor of International Politics at the University of Wales—Aberystwyth,

The Realist Tradition and the Limits of International Relations, p. 174-176)

A commitment to an ethic of consequences reflects a deeper ethic of criticism, of

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— it is both a condition of, and imperative toward, responsibility.

#### Any risk of a extinction must be treated as absolute because it will result in extinction.

Schell 82, [Fate of the Earth pg. 82, God of Policy debate, debate.uvm.edu/NFL/rostrumlib/CheshierJan'01.pdf]

It is clear that at present, with some twenty thousand megatons of nuclear explosive

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that their use would put an end to our species. (95)

#### Cuba violates human rights and repression is worsening

Miami Herald 13 — Miami Herald, 2013 (“Human rights under abuse in Cuba,” Editorial, April 22nd, Available Online at http://www.miamiherald.com/2013/04/22/3358813/human-rights-under-abuse-in-cuba.html#storylink=cpy, Accessed 07-03-2013)

The State Department’s latest report on human-rights practices effectively puts the lie to

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who demand a genuinely free Cuba. Fundamental reform? Not a chance.

#### That means shunning Cuba is a d-rule

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. 20-21)

But perhaps Thompson's pragmatic argument against interfering in the affairs of other states rules out

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, and willful violation of human rights continues and must be confronted publicly.

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### 2NC – Overview

#### C. Ethical obligation – neoliberalism decimates value to life through inequality and political oppression

Makwana 6 (Rajesh, STWR, 23rd November 06, <http://www.stwr.org/globalization/neoliberalism-and-economic-globalization.html>, ZBurdette)

Neoliberalism and Economic Globalization¶ The goal of neoliberal economic globalization is the removal of

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reducing poverty. They would then be in a better position to compete in

### 2NC – Framework

#### Epistemology – the foundations of the 1AC are skewed aff. They get to cherrypick their evidence from a multitude of sources, all of which come from authors who are paid off by the neoliberal system to exaggerate impacts.

Swaffield 12 (Joanne Swaffield 12, Professor of Economics at The University of York, 2012, “Can ‘climate champions’ save the planet? A critical reflection on neoliberal social change,” Environmental Politics, Vol. 21, No. 2, p. 248-267)

So far, our research with climate champions is consistent with the claim that a

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discursive practices, there was an important challenge to the dominance of neoliberalism.

#### **Policymaking – analysis of neoliberalism and alternatives is key to effective Latin American economic policy**

Walton 4 (Michael, adviser in the Latin America and Caribbean Region of the World Bank, " Neoliberalism in Latin America: Good, Bad, or Incomplete?" Latin American Research Review 39.3 (2004) 165-183. MUSE)

Impacts on Inequality and Social Conditions The region's high and persistent income inequality is of

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implications for development practice. We conclude with a few observations on this.

#### Method first – the methodology of the aff precedes the impact

**Gunder** et al., Aukland University senior planning lecturer, 2009

(Michael, Planning in Ten Words or Less: A Lacanian Entanglement with Spatial Planning pgs 111-2)

The hegemonic network, or bloc, initially shapes the debates and draws on appropriate

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largely resulting in a zero-sum game (Blair and Kumar 1997).

### AT – Perm

####  Cooption DA – Neoliberalism coopts and appropriates resistance movements—coexistence is impossible

Clarke, Professor of Social Policy at the Open University 08 (John, “Living with/in and without neo-liberalism”, Focaal 51, 2008, <http://oro.open.ac.uk/18127/1/10_Clarke.pdf>)//AS

By cohabitation I mean to identify the problem of how neo-liberalism lives with

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(and the political and cultural imaginaries they carry) to new purposes.

### 2NC – Link

#### **Cuba protected from neoliberalism now—removing embargo inverses this**

de la Barra 10 (Ximena, international consultant, former UNICEF Latin America Public Policy Advisor and former UN urban development advisor, “Sacrificing Neoliberalism to Save Capitalism: Latin America Resists and Offers Answers to Crises”, August 24, 2010, http://crs.sagepub.com/content/36/5/635.abstract?rss=1)

We may start by highlighting the emblematic Cuban case for its resistance under an American

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to establish broad and diverse international relations in order to trade with dignity.

#### Lifting the embargo causes Cuba to become neoliberal

D’Amato 07

(Paul D’Amato, Writer at International Socialist Review, The ISR is dedicated to advancing socialist theory and practice in the U.S. and internationally, CUBA: Image and reality, January-February 2007, http://isreview.org/issues/51/cuba\_image-reality.shtml)/samusaran

The class nature of Cuba must be separated from the question of the defense of

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in particular in the nickel industry, have increased dramatically in recent years.

#### **Lifting the embargo allows private corporations to fill-in – causes neoliberalism to creep into the Cuban economy**

Moreno 03 (Jenalia, Houston Chronicle (TX), "Capitalism Gains a Foothold in Cuba", June 1, 2003, http://www.highbeam.com/doc/1G1-100507188.html)

But from the moment visitors arrive at the Jose Marti International Airport in Havana,

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industry businesses to operate, but they strictly limit their potential for growth.

#### Companies will invest

**Van Sickle 13** (Alexa, Editor for International Institute for Strategic Studies with MS in International and European Politics from Edinburgh University and MS in Journalism from Columbia, “Is Cuba the Next Emerging Market?”, January 29, 2013, http://www.forbes.com/sites/bmoharrisbank/2013/01/29/is-cuba-the-next-emerging-market/)

Small changes allowing some private enterprise in Cuba are coinciding with the U.S

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untapped market, which it believes is worth $1 billion a year.

#### Foreign companies would dominate Cuban ag

Regional Business News 2 ("U.S. Could Seize Much of Cuba's Rice Market by Lifting Embargo, Expert Says By: Kevin Freking, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette (Little Rock, AR), Feb 12, 2002," EBSCO)

Feb. 12--WASHINGTON--If the embargo on Cuba was lifted today,

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about a quarter of the state's rice exports before the embargo was enacted.

#### Neoliberalism sets the parameters of criminal behavior by defining what threatens economic order AND which crimes can be profitably exploited. Wholesale rejection of the vulnerabilities created by neoliberalism is key to solve.

**Corva, Washington geography professor, 2008**

(Dominic, “Neoliberal globalization and the war on drugs: Transnationalizing illiberal governance in the Americas”, Political Geography, 27.2, ScienceDirect)

Foucault (1984: 231) describes the illegalities that activate the penal apparatus as

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1995), as well as its marketization via the prison-industrial complex.

#### Policy to prevent terrorism obscures the role global capital has in both carrying out imperial policies as well as mystifying the role the US plays in constructing danger

Slavoj Zizek, Professor of Sociology at the Institute for Sociology, Ljubljana University, 2002, Revolution at the Gates, p. 234-36

Along the same lines, Rightist commentators like George Will also immediately proclaimed the end

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Israel and with conservative Arab regimes like those of Saudi Arabia and Kuwait).

### AT – Transition Wars

#### These movements are different – crumbling economies in the global north have created material solidarity between the first and third world – creates an effective mindset shift

Harvey 11

(Ryan, writer, an organizer with the Civilian-Soldier Alliance, “Globalization” Is Coming Home: Protests Spread as Financial Institutions Target Global North”, Thursday 27 October 2011, http://www.truth-out.org/world-finally-fighting-infection-neoliberalism/1320164620?q=globalization-coming-home-protests-spread-financial-institutions-target-global-north/1319721791)

Shortly before the once-prized economy of Argentina collapsed at the end of 2001

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of a global economy designed for a minority of the world’s wealthiest people.

## Politics

### 2NC Overview

#### Turns case – sets a precedent to delegate authority – draws us into war

**Richman, 12/29/13** (Sheldon, Counterpunch, “AIPAC's Stranglehold Congress Must Not Cede Its War Power to Israel”, <http://www.counterpunch.org/2013/12/27/congress-must-not-cede-its-war-power-to-israel/>)

The American people should know that pending right now in Congress is a bipartisan bill

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bending over backward to demonstrate that its nuclear program has no military aims.

### Link

#### Drains capital – Backlash and hostage taking on unrelated priority legislation is empirically proven, likely in future and specifically true for Rubio – Cuba policy is totally unique – this is the best link card you will ever read

LeoGrande, 12

William M. LeoGrande School of Public Affairs American University, Professor of Government and a specialist in Latin American politics and U.S. foreign policy toward Latin America, Professor LeoGrande has been a frequent adviser to government and private sector agencies, 12/18/12, http://www.american.edu/clals/upload/LeoGrande-Fresh-Start.pdf

The Second Obama Administration Where in the executive branch will control over Cuba policy lie

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rarely happen unless the urgency of the problem forces policymakers to take action.

#### Depends on picking the right issues – links prove the plan is wrong

Hirsch ’13 – National Journal chief correspondent, citing various political scientists

[Michael, former Newsweek senior correspondent, "There’s No Such Thing as Political Capital," National Journal, 2-9-13, www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/there-s-no-such-thing-as-political-capital-20130207, accessed 2-8-13, mss]

And then there are the presidents who get the politics, and the issues,

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policy is a good idea,” as the party suffers in the polls.

#### PC is key – 30 Democratic Senators are in play and open to persuasion

**Sargent 12/20** (Greg – write the Plum Line blog for the Washington Post , “Divide deepens among Democrats on Iran”, 2013, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/plum-line/wp/2013/12/20/divide-deepens-among-democrats-on-iran/>)

That raises an interesting question: What if this bill comes to a vote and

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bill will fail, which would be a major rebuke to the hawks.

#### And capital is key to that effort – it’s not just about bargaining – it’s about focus – the plan’s expenditure prevents Obama from maintaining a consistent message and it means he’ll lose the ability to ask for favors

**Moore 9/10/13** (Heidi – Guardian's US finance and economics editor. , “Syria: the great distraction” The Guardian, <http://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2013/sep/10/obama-syria-what-about-sequester>)

Political capital – the ability to horse-trade and win political favors from a

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on the domestic tasks it wants to accomplish, one at a time.

#### Uniquely true of second term presidents

Bert Atkinson Jr., Independent Review Journal, 3-12-2031 <http://www.ijreview.com/2013/03/41467-love-affair-ending-obamas-political-capital-declining/>

The second term is notoriously tough for two term candidates. Clinton had a little

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, you’ve got some issues. (Looking at you, Chris Matthews.)

#### Spin game means winners lose for Obama

Baker 10 [Peter, foreign policy reporter, author of Kremlin Rising: Vladimir Putin and Russian Counter-Revolution, “Education of a President” New York Times]

But it is possible to win the inside game and lose the outside game.

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in either stimulus or health care until we had lost the spin battle.”

#### Obama’s learned his lesson – he’ll back off controversial issues even if he’s winning

**Kuttner 9** (Robert – , co-editor of The American Prospect and a senior fellow at Demos, author of "Obama's Challenge: America's Economic Crisis and the Power of a Transformative Presidency, 4/28/9, “Obama Has Amassed Enormous Political Capital, But He Doesn't Know What to Do with It,” [http://www.alternet.org/economy/138641/obama\_has\_amassed\_enormous\_political\_capital,\_but\_he\_doesn%27t\_know\_what\_to\_do\_with\_it/?page=entire](http://www.alternet.org/economy/138641/obama_has_amassed_enormous_political_capital%2C_but_he_doesn%27t_know_what_to_do_with_it/?page=entire))

We got a small taste of what a more radical break might feel like when

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a little of both, but he defaults to the politics of accommodation.

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#### Precision is key to the topic

Resnick ‘1 [Spring/2001, Evan Resnick is Assistant Professor and coordinator of the United States Programme at RSIS. His chief academic interests lie at the intersection of international relations theory, international security studies, and U.S. foreign policy. Dr. Resnick has previously taught at Yeshiva University in New York City. “Defining Engagement,” Journal of International Affairs, Lexis]

Currently, practitioners and scholars of American foreign policy are vigorously debating the merits of

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between engagement and alternative policy approaches, especially appeasement, isolation and containment.

#### Every study of credible social theories concludes consequentialism is good (green)

Greene 2010 – Joshua, Associate Professor of Social science in the Department of Psychology at Harvard University (The Secret Joke of Kant’s Soul published in Moral Psychology: Historical and Contemporary Readings, accessed: www.fed.cuhk.edu.hk/~lchang/material/Evolutionary/Developmental/Greene-KantSoul.pdf)

What turn-of-the-millennium science is telling us is that human

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religion, they don't really explain what's distinctive about the philosophy in question.

#### Even their focus on quality of life must put questions of survival before the consideration of the aff

**Fried 2002** Charles Fried, professor of law @ Harvard, “Right and Wrong as Absolute.” P. 76-77, in *Absolutism and its Consequentialist Critics*, edited by Jorem Graf Haber.

Even within such boundaries we can imagine extreme cases where killing an innocent person may

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the world, but without violating the absolute norms of right and wrong).

#### No terror impact

John Mueller and Mark G. Stewart 12, Senior Research Scientist at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies and Adjunct Professor in the Department of Political Science, both at Ohio State University, and Senior Fellow at the Cato Institute AND Australian Research Council Professorial Fellow and Professor and Director at the Centre for Infrastructure Performance and Reliability at the University of Newcastle, "The Terrorism Delusion," Summer, International Security, Vol. 37, No. 1, politicalscience.osu.edu/faculty/jmueller//absisfin.pdf

In 2009, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

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took a tram going the wrong way and dynamited a mosque instead.15

#### Our statistics are for the most plausible scenarios-anything else is even less likely.

Mueller 8, John, Prof. Pol. Sci. @ Ohio State, 1/1/ (<http://polisci.osu.edu/faculty/jmueller/APSACHGO.PDF>)

These odds are for the most plausible scenario by means of which a terrorist group

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deliver several, the odds become, of course, even more prohibitive.

#### Couldn’t get the bomb in

Mueller 9 - John Mueller, Woody Hayes Chair of National Security Studies, Mershon Center
Professor of Political Science 30 April 2009 “THE ATOMIC TERRORIST?” <http://www.icnnd.org/research/Mueller_Terrorism.pdf>

The finished product could weigh a ton or more.31 Encased in lead shielding

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thing, after all this effort, doesn’t prove to be a dud.

#### Cyberterror's all hype

Bennett 12 -- covers national security and foreign policy for U.S. News & World Report (John T, 3/30, "Cyber Attack Talk May Outpace The Actual Threat," http://www.usnews.com/news/blogs/dotmil/2012/05/30/cyber-attack-talk-may-outpace-the-actual-threat)

The U.S. defense secretary has warned of a cyber-Pearl Harbor

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hack into unless they are really dumb about how they run their networks."