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#### Obama’s been weakened by Syria but he’s still strong enough to win the debt ceiling fight

**Garrett, 9/19/13 -** National Journal Correspondent-at-Large and Chief White House Correspondent for CBS News(Major, National Journal, “A September to Surrender: Syria and Summers Spell Second-Term Slump” <http://www.nationaljournal.com/all-powers/a-september-to-surrender-syria-and-summers-spell-second-term-slump-20130917>)

There are no “obstructionist” Republican fingerprints on the conspicuous and …………………./shutdown/debt ceiling suggest not.

#### Renewable energy investment causes backlash

**Leone 12** (Steve, Associate Editor of Renewable Energy World, "Part 2: Political Reality and the Way Forward for Renewable Energy," 4/3/12, http://www.renewableenergyworld.com/rea/news/article/2012/04/part-2-political-reality-and-the-way-forward-for-renewable-energy)

New Hampshire, U.S.A. -- Political heavyweights know …………………. be revived? It’s increasingly looking like the answer may be no.

#### Capital is finite and spending it elsewhere prevents a debt ceiling deal

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

The country will crash into the debt ceiling in mid-……………….. to accomplish, one at a time.

#### Default will destroy the U.S. and global economy

**Davidson, 9/10/13** – co-founder of NPR’s Planet Money (Adam, “Our Debt to Society” New York Times, <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/09/15/magazine/our-debt-to-society.html?pagewanted=all>)

If the debt ceiling isn’t lifted again this fall, some ………………….. economy would collapse far worse than anything we’ve seen in the past several years.

#### Nuclear war

**Friedberg and Schoenfeld 8**

[Aaron, Prof. Politics. And IR @ Princeton’s Woodrow Wilson School and Visiting Scholar @ Witherspoon Institute, and Gabriel, Senior Editor of Commentary and Wall Street Journal, “The Dangers of a Diminished America”, 10-28, <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB122455074012352571.html>]

Then there are the dolorous consequences of a ………………………… travails with external adventures.

## Memo cp

#### Text --- The Director of the Western Hemisphere affairs Bureau of the United States Department of State should issue and publish in the Federal Register a policy memorandum that relevant United States entities should increase renewable energy grid integration with the United Mexican States through lithium based nanotechnology.

Competes; policy statements do not make law --- they’re legally distinct from the plan because they’re only position-taking

Koch 5 (Charles H. Jr., Professor of Law – William and Mary School of Law, “Policymaking by the Administrative Judiciary”, Alabama Law Review, Spring, 56 Ala. L. Rev. 693, Lexis)

n110 E.g., Consol Edison Co of New York v. FERC, 315 F.3d 316, 323 (D.C. Cir 2003)

"Policy statements" differ from ……………………… the public, nor the agency

Solves --- the Director has the power to issue non-legislative rules

Newman 93 (Frank C. Newman – Jackson H. Ralston Professor of International Law (emeritus), University of California, Berkeley; and California Supreme Court Justice (retired). DePaul Law Review – lexis)

Administrative law deals with rule-making as well as ……………………….. mere curiosity -- formal rules could be instructive.

## Adv. cp

#### CP Text: The United States federal government should propose to the International Atomic Energy Agency that international nanofactories be built as specified by the Center for Responsible Nanotechnology. The International Atomic Energy Agency should build these nanofactories and require mutual inspection of all nations’ nanofactories and nanotechnology. The United States federal government should provide non-regualtory nanotech assistance to the United Mexican States

#### CP solves all of the inevitability claims, BUT the plan destroys the CP. Competition and US hegemonic pursuit of dominance assures a Nano-Race and turns the entire aff

**Vandermolen, 06** – BS, Louisiana Tech University; MA, Naval War College (Thomas D., Maritime Science and Technology Center, Yokosuka, Japan. He was previously assigned as a student at the Naval War College, Newport Naval Station, Rhode Island, [http://www.airpower.maxwell.af.mil/airchronicles/apj/apj06/fal06/vandermolen.html)//VP](http://www.airpower.maxwell.af.mil/airchronicles/apj/apj06/fal06/vandermolen.html%29//VP)

Two strategic approaches have ……………….. notes that “the need for control of these new technologies is more important now than in previous times of scientific development.”41

#### Unilateral nanotech like the plan causes and arms race and insures extinction – only CP can solve- nanotech is bad is a net benefit

**Treder And Phoenix, 08** – Executive Director of CRN, BS Biology, University of Washington, Research Fellow with the Institute for Ethics and Emerging Technologies, a consultant to the Millennium Project of the American Council for the United Nations University AND CRN’s Director of Research, has studied nanotechnology for more than 15 years. BS, Symbolic Systems, MS, Computer Science, Stanford University (Mike and Chris. Center For Responsible Nanotechnology, “The Need for International Control” <http://www.crnano.org/int_control.htm>)//VP
Overview: International administration appears to be necessary for several reasons. ………………………………… to be discovered and prevented. This requires a body with global jurisdiction, perhaps analogous to the International Atomic Energy Agency.

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#### A. Violation – economic engagement is the exchange of goods, services, capital and labor – energy is a non-economic partnership.

Rose, 8 -- UC Berkeley Haas School of Business Administration [Andrew, and Mark Spiegel, "Non-Economic Engagement and International Exchange: The Case of Environmental Treaties," April 2008, [www.nber.org/papers/w13988.pdf?new\_window=1](http://www.nber.org/papers/w13988.pdf?new_window=1)]

Non-Economic Engagement and International …………………….. The answer, in both theory and practice, is positive.

#### B. Vote Neg –

#### First, Ground – allowing energy affs adds a whole new topic into an already broad resolution – narrow limits are key to a fair research burden and innovation.

#### Second, Education – only the neg interp limits the topic to the core of economic engagement – allowing energy affs skews the focus of the resolution to the fringe, decking topic specific education

## Warming

**Your internal link is laughable – doesn’t say it results in a decrease in emissions**

**Its also inevitable because of Chinese localities**

Elizabeth C. **Economy**, C. V. Starr Senior Fellow and Director for Asia Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations, September/October **2007**

(The Great Leap Backward, Foreign Affairs)

Unfortunately, much of this enthusiasm stems from the ……………………..revolutionary bottom-up political and economic reforms.

**Too late**

**NPR 9** (1/26, Global Warming Is Irreversible, Study Says, All Things Considered, http://www.npr.org/templates/story/story.php?storyId=99888903)

…………………….. Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Her new study looked at the consequences of this long-term effect in terms of sea level rise and drought.

**No warming – not anthropogenic – best and most qualified evidence**

**Spencer, 11** [ July 4th, Roy D, Ph.D. in meteorology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Principal Research Scientist at the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 2001, Senior Scientist for Climate Studies at NASA’s Marshall Space Flight Center, provided congressional testimony several times on the subject of global warming. Dr. Spencer’s research has been entirely supported by U.S. government agencies: NASA, NOAA, and DOE. He has never been asked by any oil company to perform any kind of service. Not even Exxon-Mobil.Dr. Spencer’s first popular book on global warming, [Climate Confusion](http://www.drroyspencer.com/climate-confusion.php) ([Encounter Books](http://www.encounterbooks.com/)), is now available, http://www.drroyspencer.com/global-warming-natural-or-manmade/] “Global warming” refers to the global-average temperature increase that has been observed over the last one hundred years or more. ……………………..— it happens, with or without our help.

**Literally the worst natural disasters killed at most thousands**

**No risk of natural disasters not an existential impact and Tech solves the impact**

**Hamilton 97** – Chairman of IDNDR Scientific and Technical Committee (IDNDR = International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction, Early Warming Capabilities for Geopolitical Hazards, 10/97, [http://www.unisdr.org/2006/ppew/whats-ew/pdf/report-on-ew-capabilities-for-geological-hazards.pdf)](http://www.unisdr.org/2006/ppew/whats-ew/pdf/report-on-ew-capabilities-for-geological-hazards.pdf%29//EM)

Using currently available methodology, …………………….. the three targets of the IDNDR.

**CO2 doesn’t cause warming—just growth**

C. R. **DE FREITAS 02** is an Associate Professor in the School of Geography, Geology and Environmental Science at the University of Auckland in New Zealand. “Are observed changes in the concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere really dangerous?,” School of Geography and Environmental Science University of Auckland, PB 92019, Auckland New Zealand. BULLETIN OF CANADIAN PETROLEUM GEOLOGY VOL. 50, NO. 2 (JUNE, 2002**.**, P. 297-327.<http://www.climatechangeissues.com/files/science/defreitas.pdf>

Recent trends in global air temperature ………………………. closing of oceanic gateways as continents move around.

**Increased CO2’s key to crop fertilization that sustains biodiversity and averts worldwide famine**

**Idso and Idso 07** Sherwood Idso, former Research Physicist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service and former adjunct professor in the Departments of Geology, Geography, and Botany and Microbiology at Arizona State University, and Craig Idso, founder and former President of the Center for the Study of Carbon Dioxide and Global Change and former Director of Environmental Science at Peabody Energy, 2007 [Carbon Dioxide and Global Change: Separating Scientific Fact from Personal Opinion, http://co2science.org/education/reports/hansen/HansenTestimonyCritique.pdf, p. 17-19] Victor

How much land can ten billion people spare for nature? …………………………… in the process.

No ev that specifically indicates any other countries model

#### Reject their solvency evidence—lacks comprehensive data to assess potential for renewables

Wood et. al., 1ac author, 2012, fellow @ Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Department of International Affairs, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México Senior Advisor, Mexico Institute Renewable Energy Initiative(Duncan Wood, July 2012, “Solar Energy Potential in Mexico’s Northern Border States”, [http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Border\_Solar\_Romero\_0.pdf)//Holmes](http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Border_Solar_Romero_0.pdf%29//Holmes)

Due to the difficulty in obtaining ……………………………., there are only two CRE- approved Photovoltaic (PV) projects, one 3.8 MWp in Aguascalientes and another in 30 MWp in Jalisco.

#### Aff doesn’t spill over in the short term

Wood et. al., 1ac author, 2012, fellow @ Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Department of International Affairs, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México Senior Advisor, Mexico Institute Renewable Energy Initiative(Duncan Wood, July 2012, “Solar Energy Potential in Mexico’s Northern Border States”, [http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Border\_Solar\_Romero\_0.pdf)//Holmes](http://www.wilsoncenter.org/sites/default/files/Border_Solar_Romero_0.pdf%29//Holmes)

Mexico’s geographic location and its world-class solar resources make ……………………….. are needed to pave the way for private investment. In the long run, solar energy holds the potential to significantly strengthen Mexico’s energy sector and economic development.

**Begs the question—if we win our internal link story then war can still happen, this overwhelms their warrants**

**Kagan 1999** – not Robert, Hilihouse Professor of History and Classics at Yale University (Donald, Survival, Vol. 41, No. 2, “Is Major War Obsolete? An Exchange”)

I agree that the present moment in history provides a ……………………….. – it seems to me that his entire thesis is undermined.

## Nanotech

**No i/l to environment their ev indicates poison bad for human organs**

**The environment’s stronger than Chuck Norris – it’s survived everything**

**Easterbrook, 95** (Gregg, Senior Editor of the New Republic, 1995, *A Moment on Earth*, p. 25, Hensel)

In the aftermath of events such as Love Canal or the Exxon Valdez oil spill, every reference to the environment is prefaced with the adjective "fragile." "Fragile environment" has become a welded phrase of the modern lexicon, like "aging hippie" or "fugitive ……………………………., are pinpricks compared to forces of the magnitude nature is accustomed to resisting.

**There’s a long time frame**

**Kay, 01** (Jane, staff writer for the San Francisco Chronicle, July 26, 2001, “Study takes historical peek at plight of ocean ecosystems,” San Francisco Chronicle, http://www.sfgate.com/green/article/Study-takes-historical-peek-at-plight-of-ocean-2895214.php, Hensel)

The collapse of ecosystems often occur …………………………… think the killer whales switched to otters for food because there are fewer seals and sea lions to eat.

#### Nanotech decreases air pollution

NanoWerk, 07(NanoWerk, 25 December 2007, “Nanotechnology the answer to air pollution?”, http://www.nanowerk.com/news/newsid=3828.php)//Holmes

(Nanowerk News) The emerging field of nanotechnology …………………….. and in turn adds to the lubricating quality of the machine," Narayan said. With lowering of the fuel combustion rate, air pollution rate also comes down, scientists said.

#### Emissions key to ozone

Cordato, 03 (Roy E. Cordato, Ph.D., Lundy Professor of Business Philosophy at Campbell University, Senior Economist at the Institute for Research on the Economics of Taxation (IRET), M.A. in urban and regional economics, Ph.D. in economics, “Ground-Level Ozone: Myth, Facts, and Politics”, March 2003, http://heartland.org/policy-documents/ground-level-ozone-myths-facts-and-politics, jld)

Ground-level ozone, often referred to as smog, is front ………………….. NOx is also emitted naturally but the primary concern has been with human-instigated emissions that are the result of coal- fired power plants and automobiles.

#### Key to life on earth

Voynick, 99 (Steve, The World & I, “Living with ozone”, Jul 1999, proquest, jld)

The combined effects of all these factors …………….. devastating damage to agricultural crops, forests, and oceanic plankton.

## Yes war

**Prefer specific war scenarios over their theoretical ev**

**Global war is not obsolete**

* **more threats**

**Miller 10/17** (Paul Miller is assistant professor of international security studies at the National Defense University, served as director for Afghanistan on the National Security Council staff, involved in the 2008 and 2009 Afghanistan-Pakistan strategy reviews for the Bush and Obama administrations, served as a political analyst in the U.S. intelligence community specializing in South Asia, officer in the U.S. Army Reserve, expert in state failure and statebuilding, reconstruction and stabilization operations, South Asia, intelligence and foreign policy, and the U.S. national security process, PhD, 17 October 2011, This is no time to cut defense, http://shadow.foreignpolicy.com/posts/2011/10/17/this\_is\_no\_time\_to\_cut\_defense)

 The threats to us are more numerous, not less. ……………. in our history before 1989.

* **High magnitude and probability**

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The threats are equally apocalyptic. Nuclear war with ………………….. Unfortunately, we do not have a team of patriotic mutant superheroes to avert disaster this time.

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## Memo CP

The distinction’s clear and highly relevant

Koch 5 (Charles H. Jr., Professor of Law – William and Mary School of Law, “Policymaking by the Administrative Judiciary”, Alabama Law Review, Spring, 56 Ala. L. Rev. 693, Lexis)

Such policy pronouncements are distinct ………………. unless a deviation can be justified. 112

Memos aren’t law. “Practical effect” is irrelevant from a legal standpoint- and severs immediacy

Hunnicutt 99 (James, JD – Boston College Law School, “Another Reason to Reform the Federal Regulatory System: Agencies' Treating Nonlegislative Rules as Binding Law”, Boston College Law Review, December, 41 B.C. L. Rev 153, Lexis)

1. Factors Distinguishing Nonlegislative from Legislative Rules

To distinguish whether a rule is nonlegislative or ………………….. have practical legal effects. n116

The plan and topic require a mandated increase

HEFC 4 (Higher Education Funding Council, http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/jt200304/jtselect/jtchar/167/167we98.htm# n43)

9.1 The Draft Bill creates an ………………. to be ever-increasing.

“Substantial” requires legal effect

Words and Phrases 64 (40W&P 759)

The words “outward, open, actual, visible…………………………..; sole; opposed to inclusive.

Severs especially strong “normal means” - the plan uses Congress and the perm doesn’t shield unless it severs

Melia 5 (George, Institute for Diplomacy – Georgetown University, “The Democracy Bureaucracy”,http://www.princeton.edu/~ppns/papers/democracy\_bureaucracy.pdf)

One of the leading figures in the ……………………. was consistently resisted by the Department.” 21

The plan’s language means it must be Congress -

It says “Federal Government” - which means all branches

Cunningham 97 (Representative, H.R. 123 Jan 7th – “Bill Emerson English Language Empowerment Act of 1997,” 105th Congress, 1st Session, http://www.humnet.ucla.edu/humnet/linguistics/people/grads/macswan/hr123.htm)

`Sec. 163. Official Federal Government activities in ………………….. orally with another person in a language other than English

This specifically includes Congress

U.S. Code 11 (Title 38, Part III, Chapter 43, Subchapter I, § 4303, “Definitions,” http://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/us

code38/usc\_sec\_38\_00004303000-.html)

(6) The term "Federal Government" ……………….. the judicial branch of the United States.

## **Adv. Cp**

#### Perm fails- unilateral action on nanotechnology undermines global agreements and only international regulation solves

**Bostrum, 02** – Professor and Faculty of Philosophy at Oxford University (Nick, “Existential Risks: Analyzing Human Extinction Scenarios and Related Hazards”, published in the Journal of Evolution and Technology, Vol. 9, No. 1 (2002), http://www.nickbostrom.com/existential/risks.html)//VP

Creating a broad-based consensus …………………… be used to get them to sign on.

#### CP solves- nanofactories built under CRN restrictions allows for safe distribution of nantechnology and prevents global catastrophes

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The technology at the heart of this dilemma is …………………, the range of products that can be produced.

#### Nanofactories solve better- the safety procedures of the CP means that molecular manufacturing production is doubled, cheapter, self-contained, and has more benefits

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If it can be done safely, widespread use of ……………………. independent development.

#### Every reason why nanotechnology is bad in the status quo is a net benefit- the CP makes nanotech sustainable in a way that the aff can’t.

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Nanotechnology offers …………………………. reducing the associated risks.

## warming

### at: ocean acidification

 **3. Global warming helps coral reefs by promoting growth—overwhelms the CO2 effect
EurekAlert 4 (Global warming good news for coral reefs: research. http://www.eurekalert.org/pub\_releases/2004-12/uons-gwg120904.php)**

Coral reefs around the world could ………………………… to better understand future changes in regions such as Australia's Great Barrier Reef."

### 2NC Turns Warming

**Nitrogen absorption checks any positive feedbacks in the short term and eventually creates a negative feedback in the long term**

Idso’s, 11 [Sherwood PhD and former research physicist for the Department of Agriculture, Keith PhD Botany, Craig PhD Geography, 8/10/2011. “Forests Find More Nitrogen in the Soils of a Warming World”, http://www.co2science.org/articles/V14/N32/B2.php] DHirsch

Background The authors write that "soil warming experiments ………………………… the extreme importance of long-term studies of this nature.

### 2nc CO2 AG Overview

 **A. Magnitude: Lack of CO2 guarantees destruction of the biosphere and kills billions in the short term**

**Brown 05** Lester Brown, President of Earth Policy Institute, MPA at Harvard, Former Advisor to the Secretary of Agriculture, 2005. “Outgrowing The Earth,” http://www.earth-policy.org/Books/Out/.

 “Many Americans see terrorism as the principal threat to security,” said …………………….. that is the overriding concern.”

### 2nc CO2 =/= warming

**1. CO2 doesn’t cause warming**

**Harris and Ball 07**, executive director of the Natural Resources Stewardship Project, , chair of the Natural Resources Stewardship Project and former climatology professor at the University of Winnipeg, 2007 [Tom and Tim, Science ignored in heated debate over CO2 effects, 6/29, The Star Phoenix, lexis] Victor

The following is the viewpoint of Ball, ………………………. current concentrations and more than double the highest CO2 level seen in the past half-billion years.

**2. Higher temperatures don’t mitigate benefits of carbon fertilization—more carbon protects plants from heat.**

**Idso 07** Craig and Keith (Ex-Director of Environmental Science at Peabody Energy in St. Louis, and Ph.D. in Geography from Arizona State University. PhD in Botany from Arizona State University. “The Impact of Predicted Future Warming on Perennial Crop Yields in California, USA” http://www.co2science.org/articles/V10/N17/EDIT.php) 4/25/2007

Noting that "climate change resulting from human ………………..productivity does not "kick in"

### 2nc CO2 KT Ag Yields

**Rising CO2 key to agriculture yields ---- key to avert famine
Hamilton Spectator in ‘7** (Tom Harris, Mechanical Engineer, “Carbon taxes would shrink our economy”, 8-13, L/N)

The rise in CO2 over the past century and a half ………………………… **crucial to avert widespread famine**.

### 1nc warming not anthro

**Mars proves—solar changes are inevitable and cause more warming**

**National Post, 2007** (Lawrence Solomon, staff writer, February 7, “Look to Mars for the Truth on Globl Warming” http://www.nationalpost.com/story.html?id=edae9952-3c3e-47ba-913f-7359a5c7f723&k=0/)

Climate change is a much, much bigger issue than the public, politicians, …………………………. only to give the absorbed heat away."

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#### Going over causes massive spending cuts to NASA

National Journal 13 [“Six Consequences of Not Raising the Debt Ceiling,” National Journal Staff, 5/29, <http://www.nationaljournal.com/economy/pictures-six-consequences-of-not-raising-the-debt-ceiling-20110527#photo_0>]

On May 31 the House voted 97-318 ……………….FBI to congressional salaries and White House operating expenses.

#### Effective space science solves extinction

Killeen 5 (Timothy L., Director – National Center for Atmospheric Research, “NASA Earth Science”, CQ Congressional Testimony, 4-28, Lexis)

The first example is probably well known to you. The ………………………… climate change; and the reactions of ecosystems to simultaneous multiple stresses.

#### GOP refocusing on debt ceiling– key negotiations now.

Cohen, 9/26 (9/26/11, Tom, “Boehner signals GOP focus now on debt ceiling,” CNN, <http://www.cnn.com/2013/09/26/politics/shutdown-showdown/?hpt=po_c1>, amils)

At a news conference after meeting with his …………………. is absolutely unacceptable."

#### He’s winning because he’s using capital to unify Democrats and exploit GOP divisions

**Allen, 9/19/13** (Jonathan, Politico, “GOP battles boost Obama” <http://www.politico.com/story/2013/09/republicans-budget-obama-97093.html>)

There’s a simple reason President Barack …………………. before the Syria crisis intervened.

#### Business pressure will change minds – but Obama’s capital is key to mobilizing it

**Sink, 9/18/13** (Justin, The Hill, “Amid fiscal fights, Obama courting business leaders”

<http://thehill.com/homenews/administration/322883-amid-fiscal-fights-obama-courting-business-leaders>)

President Obama will address ……………………Democrats embraced.

#### Economic engagement with Mexico is politically divisive

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 …………………… pundits often get it wrong,” [http://www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/there-s-no-such-thing-as-political-capital-20130207)](http://www.nationaljournal.com/magazine/there-s-no-such-thing-as-political-capital-20130207%29))

#### Political capital is key to avoid making concessions on the debt ceiling

**Garnham, 9/17/13** (Peter, “Summers not over for dollar strength” Euromoney,

Full article: <http://www.euromoney.com/Article/3255829/Category/16/ChannelPage/0/Summers-not-over-for-dollar-strength.html?single=true&copyrightInfo=true>)

That is because seeking his ……………………..dollar could disappear quickly.

**PC theory true for Obama- empirics**

Color Lines, 10-14-2011 <http://colorlines.com/archives/2011/10/is_president_obamas_jobs_drumbeat_working.html>

But what Obama’s new ………………………. So let’s hope Marshall is onto something when he says we might be at a turning point in Washington.

#### Empirically false and the plan is more likely to disrupt Obama’s careful issue selection

**Eberly, 13** - coordinator of Public Policy Studies and assistant professor in the Department of Political Science at St. Mary's College of Maryland (Todd, Baltimore Sun, “The presidential power trap” <http://articles.baltimoresun.com/2013-01-21/news/bs-ed-political-capital-20130121_1_political-system-george-hw-bush-party-support/2>)

Only by solving the problem of …………………………… second oath of office.