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Neolib

#### Economic pressure on Venezuelan energy production represents neoliberal expansion.

**Socialism Today 99** (Issue 41, September 1999, “Venezuela: Neo-liberalism defied”, <http://www.socialismtoday.org/41/venezuela41.html>, ZBurdette)

Oil generates 70% of Venezuela's export revenue.

could lead to a voluntary socialist federation of Latin America. Only then will the threat of retaliation from capitalism and imperialism be removed.

#### Neoliberalism causes war-exacerbates all the proximate causes.

**Staples, International Network on Disarmament and Globalization chair, 2000**

(Steven, “The relationship between globalization and militarism”, Social Justice, 27.4, proquest)

Economic inequality is growing; more conflict and civil wars are emerging

 Third World. Their technologically advanced militaries will protect them and their investments, insulating them from the violent effects of globalization.

**Vote neg to interrogate neoliberal economic engagement with latin America from the starting point of knowledge production.**

**Walsh, Estudios Culturales Latinoamericanos de la Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar, 2012**

(Catherine, “The Politics of Naming”, Cultural Studies, 26.1, Project Muse)

Cultural Studies, in our project, is constructed

That is to say, to focus on the ever-greater need and urgency of life. To call these Cultural Studies or critical (inter)Cultural Studies is only one of our options, and part of the politics of

Shunning

**Venezuela violates human rights- Freedom of speech**

Congressional Documents and Publications ‘13

(June 4, 2013 – lexis)

U.S. Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL), Chairman of the Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee, made the following statement after meeting with Venezuelan opposition leader Maria Corina Machado and writing a letter to Secretary of State John Kerry asking for the immediate release of U.S. citizen Timothy Tracy, being held hostage in Venezuela. Statement by Ros-Lehtinen:¶ "Today I had the honor of meeting with Venezuelan pro-democracy leader Maria Corina Machado, a stalwart champion of democracy for Venezuela. I applaud her for her courage in continuing to boldly speak out against the Maduro regime, and join her in

. This situation is unacceptable and I urge the State Department to do all it can to secure Tracy's release and safe return to the United States unconditionally."

**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 the same piece of land, ethics provides a basis for resolving the conflict by identifying "mine" and "thine." If in anger I want to smash your [end page 17] face, ethics indicates that your face's being unsmashed is a legitimate interest of yours which takes precedence over my own interest in expressing my rage. Thus ethics identifies the rights of individuals when their interests conflict.

But how can a case for shunning be made on this view of morality

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

Politics

#### Syria resolution will pass

Frenzel 9/6—Forbes (Bill, 2013, By Dropping Syria In Congress' Lap, Obama Creates The Worst Of The Bad Old Days, <http://www.forbes.com/sites/billfrenzel/2013/09/06/by-dropping-syria-in-congress-lap-obama-creates-the-worst-of-the-bad-old-days/>)

Now, the President has changed all that

 the U.S. from looking badly in world affairs. As described in the Senate Resolution , it probably will have little affect on the civil war in Syria.

#### Republicans support current efforts to push Venezuela out of oil markets – the plan reverses this trend.

Robert Campbell, 3-07-2013, a Reuters Oil Market Analyst and Columnist, education @ McMaster University and McGill University, “COLUMN-Shale, Iran sanctions push Venezuelan oil to Asia: Campbell,” http://en-maktoob.news.yahoo.com/column-shale-iran-sanctions-push-venezuelan-oil-asia-152812475.html

Texas wildcatters and Iran hawks in the U.S.

policy theorists predict "energy independence" will end U.S. purchases of Middle Eastern crude.

#### political capital is key—the plan trades off

Brown and Sherman 9/4—Politico, White House reporter who focuses on the intersection of policy and politics in the administration and on Capitol Hill. She has covered the Senate, the 2008 Obama campaign, the health care overhaul bill, Wall Street reform and various tax cut battles in Congress. covers Congress for POLITICO. (Carrie and Jake, President Obama’s political capital spreads thin, 2013, http://www.politico.com/story/2013/09/obamas-political-capital-spreads-thin-96306.html)

President Barack Obama faced a heavy lift in Congress this fall when his

often they cannot.

#### failure to strike wrecks credibility—triggers a host of wars and chemical weapons use

Iran Prolif

Russia Russian aggression

Obama weakness

Ignatius 8/28—joined The Post in 1986 as editor of its Sunday Outlook section. In 1990 he became foreign editor, and in 1993, assistant managing editor for business news. He began writing his column in 1998 and continued even during a three-year stint as executive editor of the International Herald Tribune in Paris. Earlier in his career, Ignatius was a reporter for The Wall Street Journal, covering at various times the steel industry, the Justice Department, the CIA, the Senate, the Middle East and the State Department. Ignatius grew up in Washington, D.C., and studied political theory at Harvard College and economics at Kings College, Cambridge (david, In Syria, U.S. credibility is at stake, 2013, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/david-ignatius-in-syria-us-credibility-is-at-stake/2013/08/28/54e8bc50-0ffd-11e3-bdf6-e4fc677d94a1_story.html>,)

What does the world look like when people begin

will at least remind people that U.S. military power is not to be taken lightly.

Brazil cp

Text: The United States federal government should request that Brazil extend a backchannel offer to Venezuela to substantially increase its investment and technical aid for Venezuela’s liberalization of its energy sector.

#### Brazil is a necessary interlocutor to Venezuela in a post-Chavez era.

Kingstone**, 13** professor, co-director at the Institute for International Development at King’s College, London (Peter, January 23rd, “Coping without Chavez,” <http://m.indianexpress.com/news/coping-without-chavez/1063174/>, amils)

This lack of urgency is because Chavez’s influence

. A post-Chavez Venezuela is likely to accelerate that trend.

#### Solves the case via indirect negotiations and proves the counterplan is a *prerequisite* – Brazil is key.

Shannon**, 10** Brazilian Ambassador (Thomas A., February 19th, “US embassy cables: Venezuela has 'deep domestic economic problems',” <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/us-embassy-cables-documents/249738>, amils)

Garcia characterized Venezuela as having deep

Brazil could be of assistance in this area.

#### Brazil is key to a global model for corporate social responsibility

Armijo and Burges, 10 (Leslie Elliot and Sean W., January, “Brazil, the Entrepreneurial and Democratic BRIC,”http://www.leslieelliottarmijo.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/armburges-10-polity.pdf, amils)

Perhaps most interesting have been

Brazil emerging as a global leader in the area of corporate social responsibility. In 2008, President

#### CIR solves global supply chain competitiveness

Navneet, 11 (May 8th, “Corporate Social Responsibility influencing Global Supply Chain,” <http://bgrc.ceibs.edu/bgrc2011/?p=1331>, amils)

World has changed post 2008-09 recession and so are the

 in the near or medium term and increases the overall sustainability of business.

#### Solves global war

Griswold 5 director of the Center for Trade Policy Studies at the Cato Institute in Washington, 2005 [Daniel. “Peace on Earth? Try Free Trade Among Men.” December 29. http://www.freetrade.org/node/282.]

Buried beneath the daily stories about car bombs

need resources outside their national borders, say oil or timber or farm products, they can acquire them peacefully by trading away what they can produce best at home.

## case

### Oil

#### The status quo is no longer threatening — sponsoring terrorism was a Chávez-led doctrine — that dies out with Maduro

Ghitis 13 — independent commentator on world affairs and a World Politics Review contributing editor (Frida Ghitis, *World Politics Review*, 01-10-13, “World Citizen: Will Venezuela-Iran Links Survive Chávez?”, <http://www.worldpoliticsreview.com/articles/12615/world-citizen-will-venezuela-iran-links-survive-chavez>, Accessed 06-30-2013 | AK)

During almost 14 years in office, Chávez made

for long in a post-Chávez Venezuela.

**US won’t respond with nuclear lash-out.**

Washington Post ‘7

(Thursday, August 2, 2007 – “Obama says no nuclear weapons to fight terror” – http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2007/08/02/AR2007080201375\_pf.html)

Presidential hopeful Barack Obama said

That's not on the table."

#### Empirics prove no escalation

Cárdenas, ‘11

[Mauricio, senior fellow and director of the Latin America Initiative at the Brookings Institution, 3-17, “Think Again Latin America,” Foreign Policy, <http://www.foreignpolicy.com/articles/2011/03/17/think_again_latin_america?page=full>]

"Latin America is violent and dangerous

 large part to the organization's loss of popular support.

#### Relations high and resilient – economic interdependence

Tisdall 13 (Simon Tisdall is an assistant editor of the Guardian and a foreign affairs columnist. He was previously a foreign leader writer for the paper and has also served as its foreign editor and its US editor, based in Washington DC. He was the Observer's foreign editor from 1996-98 "Death of Hugo ChÃ¡vez Brings Chance of Fresh Start for US and Latin America." The Guardian. Guardian News and Media, 03 May 2013. Web. 17 July 2013.

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2013/mar/05/hugo-chavez-dead-us-latin-america>.)

The political climate seems propitious

 Spanish-speaking country (after Mexico).

#### 7 massive alt causes to energy sector

CSIS 13, Center for Strategic & International Studies, "Post-Chavez Outlook for Venezuelan Oil Production", Sarah O. Ladislaw is co-director and senior fellow with the Energy and National Security Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) in Washington, D.C. Frank Verrastro is senior vice president and James R. Schlesinger Chair for Energy & Geopolitics at CSIS. csis.org/publication/post-chavez-outlook-venezuelan-oil-production, Mollie

Even under the best of circumstances

 of that equation.

#### Warming is 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 re

volutionary 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)

Climate change is essentially irreversible, according to a sobering

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

### Relations

#### Mutual interests ensure no escalation

Oppenheimer 12 (Andres Oppenheimer is a Miami Herald syndicated columnist and a member of The Miami Herald team that won the 1987 Pulitzer Prize "U.S., Venezuela May Be Exploring Post-Chávez Thaw." *The Miami Herald*. Miami Herald, 31 Dec. 2012.http://www.miamiherald.com/2012/12/31/3162876/us-venezuela-may-be-exploring.html>.)

According to U.S. officials, during the

in Venezuela breaks out in the open.

#### China’s influence in Latin America is key to their soft power

Malik, 06 – PhD in International Relations (Mohan, "China's Growing Involvement in Latin America," 6/12, [http://uyghuramerican.org/old/articles/300/1/info@uyghuramerican.org](http://uyghuramerican.org/old/articles/300/1/info%40uyghuramerican.org))

China's forays into Latin America are part of

 (free trade agreements), and mutual security pacts, intelligence cooperation and arms sales.

#### Chinese international influence is an existential impact – it controls every scenario for extinction

Zhang 2012 (Prof of Diplomacy and IR at the Geneva School of Diplomacy. “The Rise of China’s Political Softpower” 9/4/12 http://www.china.org.cn/opinion/2012-09/04/content\_26421330.htm)

As China plays an increasingly significant role in the world, its soft power must be attractive both domestically as well as internationally. The world faces many difficulties, including widespread poverty,

assist developing countries in reducing poverty, and manage global issues. As the China model improves, it will continue to surprise the world.

**No US-China war -- consensus of military experts.**

Ackerman 11 – Signal Magazine’s Editor in Chief (Robert, quoting Timothy Keating, former admiral, “War Between China, U.S. Not Likely,” Signal Scope, 5/10/11, <http://www.afcea.org/signal/signalscape/index.php/2011/05/10/11510>)

The United States and China are not

solution to reunification is coming. The United States can hasten that process by remaining a powerful force in the region, he added.

### Solvency

 **Maduro must say “no”. The upside of plan gets outweighed by domestic politics. If he accepts, he’ll get destroyed politically.**

Shifter ‘13

Michael is an Adjunct Professor of Latin American Studies at Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service. He is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and writes for the Council's journal Foreign Affairs. He serves as the President of Inter-American Dialogue. “A Bolivarian Dream Deferred” – Foreign Policy, June 24, 2013 – http://thedialogue.org/page.cfm?pageID=32&pubID=3338

It makes sense for Venezuela to reach

 in his glory days.

**Snowden affair confirms US has no leverage over Venezuela.**

Sanchez ‘13

W. Alex Sanchez, Research Fellow, Council on Hemispheric Affairs – “Asylum for Snowden? Why are Venezuela, Nicaragua, others in Latin America doing this?” – Matisak Blog – July 7th – http://matisak.wordpress.com/2013/07/07/asylum-for-snowden-why-are-venezuela-nicaragua-others-in-latin-america-doing-this/

It wouldn’t be outrageous to assume that

American ends up in Venezuela.

**Negotiations can’t work. Too much tension, too little mutual respect**

O’Reilly ‘13

Andrew O'Reilly – Writer/Producer for @FoxNewsLatino. “U.S.-Venezuelan Relations Remain Tense Under Maduro, Experts Claim” – Fox News Latino – April 17 – http://latino.foxnews.com/latino/politics/2013/04/17/us-venezuelan-relations-remain-tense-under-maduro-experts-claim/#ixzz2YYYnvrAl

 While the ultimate impact of the Venezuelan

. “Americans will insist on a level of respect that he is not going to give them.”

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Brazil is key to regional democracy promotion and conflict de-escalation.

Laberge, 13 (Gilles, January 4th, “Brazil’s rise as a ‘soft power’ on the world stage,” <http://diplomatonline.com/mag/2013/01/brazils-rise-as-a-soft-power-on-the-world-stage/>, amils)

In the Latin-American region, Brazil has presented

General Assembly to broker a potential re-entry for Cuba into hemispheric affairs

#### Turns the aff – and risks rollback –instability causes terrorism, disease and proliferation.

Manwaring ‘5,

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

At the same time, President Chávez’s approach

problems endanger global security, peace, and prosperity.

**Brazil-U.S. influence trades off – OAS and Honduran crisis prove Brazil to be a singular power**

**Duquenal, 11 –** editor of Venezuela News and Views; with a PhD, former scientist; award winning Latin American News Blog (Daniel Duquenal, March 2, 2011, *Troy Media* “Loss of U.S. influence in Latin America opportunity for Canada,” http://www.troymedia.com/2011/03/02/loss-of-u-s-influence-in-latin-america-opportunity-for-canada/)//JES

Yet, these “victories have not

almost as imperialist an interloper as the U.S. of yore.

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#### Competition is zero-sum

Crandall 11 – Associate Professor of International Politics at Davidson College; Principal Director for the Western Hemisphere at the U.S. Department of Defense in 2009; Director for Andean Affairs at the National Security Council in 2010-11 (Russell Crandall, May-June 2011, *Foreign Affairs* “Post-American Hemisphere: Power and Politics in an Autonomous Latin America,” *90.3*, <http://heinonline.org/HOL/Page?handle=hein.journals/fora90&div=49&g_sent=1)//JES>

POWER PLAYS Latin America's economic growth

The seemingly moribund organization has shown some surprisingly gritty determination, but there is new competition in the neighborhood.

### Should” means “must” and requires immediate legal effect

Justice Summers 11-8-94 (Justice – Oklahoma Supreme Court, “Kelsey v. Dollarsaver Food Warehouse of Durant”, 1994 OK 123, 11-8, http://www.oscn.net/applications/oscn/DeliverDocument.asp?CiteID=20287#marker3fn13)

¶4 The legal question to be resolved by the court is whether the word

 *would* become effective *in the future [in futurol*]. See Van Wyck v. Knevals, [106 U.S. 360](http://www.oscn.net/applications/oscn/deliverdocument.asp?box1=106&box2=U.S.&box3=360), 365, 1 S.Ct. 336, 337, 27 L.Ed. 201 (1882).

#### CSR Solves warming

Shah, 7 has over 31 years of experience in the legal field, and is practicing in the name and style of Anup S Shah law firm and Aamstal Law Associate as the sole proprietor thereof duly assisted by four senior associates and eight associates. Mr. Shaw has been practicing law for 22 years and specializes in commercial and property documentation, corporate and commercial litigation, property related issues, land laws and arbitration and alternative dispute resolutions. He has been an Independent Director of Puravankara Projects Limited. since September 30, 2005. He has been a Non-Executive Independent Director of Sobha Developers Ltd., since June 28, 2006. Mr. Shah also answers readers queries through "Legal Eagle", a weekly article in The Times of India, Bangalore. He holds Bachelor’s Degree in Commerce from HR College, Mumbai and a Degree in Law from Government Law College, Mumbai (Anup, July 7th, “Corporate Social Responsibility,” <http://www.globalissues.org/article/723/corporate-social-responsibility>, amils)

Recent years have witnessed increasing

200 per thousand.

#### US reputation inaccurate – goals are consistent with US policy objectives.

Armijo and Burges, 10 (Leslie Elliot and Sean W., January, “Brazil, the Entrepreneurial and Democratic BRIC,”http://www.leslieelliottarmijo.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/02/armburges-10-polity.pdf, amils)

The best way

who is to lead and manage it

# oil

## 2nc xt: Iran Not Interested in LA

#### Iran-Venezuela ties are no longer a threat — the relationship is dead

Lansberg-Rodriguez and Zonis 7-4 — fellow at The Comparative Constitutions Project and a columnist for the Venezuelan newspaper El Universal AND \*Professor Emeritus at Booth School of Business (Daniel Lansberg-Rodriguez and Marvin Zonis, EconoMonitor, 07-04-13, “Venezuela and Iran: The End of The Affair?”, <http://www.economonitor.com/blog/2013/07/venezuela-and-iran-the-end-of-the-affair/>, Accessed 07-06-2013 | AK)

Yet now, given that they never did get around to ending the Empire,

 and might hold back a more fruitful potential dalliance with the West.

## 2nc xt: No U.S. Retaliation

**Obama won’t retaliate with nuclear weapons**

Crowley ‘10

(Michael Crowley, Senior Editor the New Republic, “Obama and Nuclear Deterrence”, Jan 10th – http://www.tnr.com/node/72263)

The Los Angeles Times ran an [important story](http://www.latimes.com/news/nation-and-world/la-na-obama-nuclear4-2010jan04%2C0%2C2198537%2Cfull.story) yesterday about

-would go through with it.

# Rels

**Chinese softpower is key to every international conflict – without a non-western influence terrorism, environmental destruction and interstate wars are inevitable – that escalates and makes regional stability impossible – specifically Latin America – risks plan rollback and inability for engagement.**

#### Turns case -- Chinese trade is key to stabilize Latin America – aff results in regional instability and makes engagement impossible.

Gallagher, 13 (Kevin, professor of international relations at Boston University where he co-directs the Global Economic Governance Initiative, “Latin America playing a risky game by welcoming in the Chinese dragon,” The Guardian, Thursday 30 May 2013, Online, <http://www.guardian.co.uk/global-development/poverty-matters/2013/may/30/latin-america-risky-chinese-dragon>, accessed 7/18/13) PE

First, the positive side

 that have had questionable outcomes on growth and equality in the region.

#### China benefits from Latin American regimes opposed to the US such as Venezuela

Ellis 10 (R. Evan Ellis is an Assistant Professor of National Security Studies in the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies at the National Defense University. “Chinese Soft Power in Latin America: A Case Study”, August 9, 2010, <http://www.ndu.edu/press/chinese-soft-power-latin-america.html>)

The rise of China is

relationship with the United States.

#### China is increasing competition against the US in Latin American – specifically in Venezuelan oil

Bajpaee 5 (Chietigj Bajpaee, Master’s degree in International Relations at the London School of Economics and completed his Undergraduate studies in Economics and Political Science at Wesleyan University and the University of Oxford. Chietigj has been awarded the Joint King’s-National University of Singapore PhD studentship to fund his doctoral studies. “CHINESE ENERGY STRATEGY IN LATIN AMERICA”, The Jamestown Foundation, June 21, 2005, http://www.jamestown.org/latinamerica/single/?tx\_ttnews%5Btt\_news%5D=3870&tx\_ttnews%5BbackPid%5D=239&no\_cache=1#.Uebqy41OSSq)

Latin America

also been given significant oil and gas development opportunities in Venezuela including the fields at Zumano in eastern Venezuela, which has an estimated 400 million barrels of oil.

#### Nye is wrong – china’s economic soft power is working in the nations it needs to work in

Dynon 13

Nicholas a Macquarie University Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), International Communication and is coordinator of the Line 21 project Academic and former diplomat with a research focus on country and regime branding and contemporary propaganda media. “Success of China's soft power campaign can't be gauged by rich countries” Global Times 7-7-2013 <http://www.globaltimes.cn/content/794405.shtml#.Uelff43VCSo> SCTM

US political scientist Joseph

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