## Contention 1 Is Borders

#### This year’s topic is deceptive – forms of economic engagement operate within secure boundaries to separate sovereign nation-states in a drive for self-assurance –these policies operate largely to the invisible extermination of indigenous peoples of Mexico, Venezuela, and Cuba within a Eurocentric Agenda

Shapiro 97 (Michael, Prof. of PoliSci @ Hawaii, Violent Cartographies, p.15-16)

Michel Foucault put the matter of geographic partisanship succinctly when he noted that "territory

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of approved sovereignties, it is the primary force determining recognized political subjectivity.

#### The U.S. society operates a racist system, and though the ideals that give it legitimacy can be used by antiracist struggles to bring about its demise, no large-scale action has been taken to rebuild this system of racism from the foundation up. This white supremacist framework has successfully incorporated “other Americans” of color.

Feagin 2K (President of the American Sociological Association¶ Joe-Prof of Sociology, Univ. of Fla. Gainesville; “RACIST AMERICA: Roots, Current Realities and Future Reparations”; 235-236.)

The liberal wing of the white elite has an inordinate fondness for setting up commissions

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unite for their own survival and periodically, for large-scale protest.

The state necessitates the creation of borders in order to remain sovereign – this shuts down political challenges to state violence

Moisio & Paasi 13 [Sami & Asssi, Regional Development and Regional Policy- Department of Geography, University of Oulu, Finland, Regional Geography, Geopolitics, 18:2, 255-266, DOI: 10.1080/14650045.2012.738729]

Geopolitics as a practice has for a long time been associated with territorialisation of political

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the articles in the special section scrutinise this phenomenon in different spatial contexts.

#### Another Instance of such Eurocentric geographical mindsets is the US-Mexico Border where the United States and the Mexican government have turned the “fugitive landscape” into a space of observation and control, thoroughly gaining control to preserve the state’s power. The methods of control over “fugitive landscapes” have been active since 1886 with the deportation of so called “hostile” indigenous American groups, where we first see the United States Federal Governments justifications for the legitimization of racism

Bess, PhD candidate at the University of Texas in Borderlands History, 2012

[Michael K., 10/17/12, Borderlands History, Foucauldian Landscapes: Re-Envisioning the Forgotten Spaces of the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands, <http://borderlandshistory.wordpress.com/2012/10/17/foucauldian-landscapes-re-envisioning-the-forgotten-spaces-of-the-u-s-mexico-borderlands/>, 1/7/14, GZ]

Samuel Truett’s Fugitive Landscapes: The Forgotten History of the U.S.-Mexico

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used to refashion and discipline existing social, economic, and political relationships.¶

#### Death and suffering at the border is increasing with each passing day—the government formulates border security in ways that funnel migrants into the harshest conditions of nature and most dangerous passageways into the US. Thousands of deaths can be attributed to US border security.

Johnson 2007(Dean and Mabie-Apallas, Professor of Public Interest Law and Chicana/o Studies, “Opening the Floodgates”, New York University Publication)

As of March 2006, the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation attributed more than 3

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all issued reports documenting recent human rights abuses by the Border Patrol.102

#### Border Thinking becomes embedded in human nature and makes life calculable

Ajana, Lecturer in Culture, Digital Humanities & Creative Industries at King’s College London. 2005 [Btihaj, 2005 “Surveillance and Biopolitics,” Electronic Journal of Sociology. RH]

Subtle, internalised, and smooth (but not all too smooth) as it

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basis for the exercising and fixing of identity and citizenship at the border.

#### And racism makes any impact of the negative inevitable. It alone can justify the murderous enterprise of the State

Foucault 76 (Michel, Professor of philosophy at the college de france, *Society Must Be Defended: Lectures at the College de France 1975-1976*, p. 254-258) jl

What in fact is racism? It is primarily a way of introducing a break

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is, I think here that we find the actual roots of racism.

#### Beyond the physical example of the US Mexico Border, the notion of borders exists as the root cause of us-them dichotomies that create the “included” and “excluded” of civil society

**Jones 11**-(REECE JONES, Associate Professor in the Department of Geography at the University of Hawaii , September 2011, Border security, 9/11 and the enclosure of Civilization, The Geographical Journal, The Geographical Journal, Vol. 177, No. 3, September 2011, pp. 213–217,, Accessed: 7/28/13)

Beyond removing the stigma of building border fences, the events of 11 September are

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in a pronounced trend towards the enclosure of wealthy societies around the world.

#### The division between those who exist inside verses outside boundaries justifies warfare the outsiders

Shapiro 95(Michael,Professor of Political Science at the University of Hawaii at Mānoa, *Body & Society*, Vol 1, # 1) KSM

It is clear by this account that Anggor warfare has a markedly ontological orientation,

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a theoretical framework that foregrounds the ontological stakes of individual and collective action.

#### Otherization bad

Moon ’10 (Tom Moon M.F.T., 2010¶ Psychotherapist and writer for Los Angeles Frontiers and San Francisco Bay times, “Why Do We ‘Otherize?’” http://www.tommoon.net/articles/why\_otherize.html) //AS

Neuropsychological research is demonstrating that otherizing is an innate and universal human capacity. As

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as also “us” takes patience, but it can be done.¶

Amar and I advocate an epistemic critique of border creation as the prerequisite to economic engagement with Cuba, Mexico, and Venezuela

## Contention 2 is Our Epistemology

#### We must individually combat racism with an epistemic critique, we must perpetuate a critique of whiteness to assess ourselves and individual orientation

Cochrane, Director of Research Institute on Christianity in South Africa University of Cape Town, 2002

[James R., The Epistemic Violence of Racism, p. 6-7, GZ]

Because racism arises in relation to a paradigmatic order of knowledge that tends to be

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knowledge are subject to question and critique in open encounter with the Other.

#### Epistemological critique produces new ways of understanding our complicity in systems of government domination

Hamann 2009 [Trent, “Neoliberalism, Governmentality, and Ethics,” in Foucault Studies 6]

Foucault explicitly identified critique, not as a transcendental form of judgment that would subsume

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locations, from the international anti-globalization movement to local community organizing.

#### Our Epistemic Break from modern forms of knowledge production create a method for addressing Eurocentric Models that dominate the current academic sphere.

Brydon ‘7 (June 15 2007, Diana Brydon, Canada Research Chair in Globalization and Cultural Studies, University of Manitoba and University of Szeged “Borders and Crossing” \*\*edited for racist language\*\* //AS)

In neither case are either disciplines or nation-states being hollowed out, as

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subjugated knowledges, Eurocentrism is a particular social imaginary posing as a universal.¶

#### Epis first

Grosfoguel 2 (Ramón Grosfoguel, Associate Professor. Ethnic Studies Department , 2002, Colonial Difference, Geopolitics of Knowledge, and Global Coloniality in the Modern/ColonialCapitalist World-System, Review (Fernand Braudel Center), Vol. 25, No. 3, Utopian Thinking (2002), pp. 203-224, Accessed: 7/31/13)

As scholars we must recognize that we always speak from a specific location in the

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(global coloniality) and anti- colonial nationalist strategies (internal coloniality).